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## ABSTRACT

This Kids Count Data Book examines trends in the well-being of California's children, focusing on factors influencing young children. This statistical portrait is based on trends in 19 indicators of child well-being in four areas: (1) family economics, including child poverty rate, children receiving TANF, children receiving WIC, fair market rent, infants born to mothers with less than 12 years of education, child care, and child support; (2) health, including prenatal care, low birthweight, infant mortality, teen births, and mothers initiating exclusive breastfeeding; (3) education, including classrooms, student proficiency, and public libraries; (4) safety, including foster care, child abuse, gun injuries and deaths, and motor vehicle injuries and deaths. The data book's introduction details key findings, discusses data interpretation, and makes recommendations. Part 1, the bulk of the report, contains fact sheets for each county and the state, including information on demographics, overall state findings, county rankings, and trends in the above indicators, with data presented by racial/ethnic group. Data explanations and sources follow. Part 2 contains summary tables organized by indicator detailing state and county findings for five additional indicators median yearly income, unemployment, low income children, high school dropout rates, and graduates prepared for college. The data book's findings indicate that 13 California counties have young child

poverty rates of 30 percent or higher. Infant mortality has dropped, with continued racial differences. Statewide teen birth rates continue to drop, with significant ethnic group differences. In the most populous counties, at least 40 percent of Head Start-eligible children are not enrolled. (KB)

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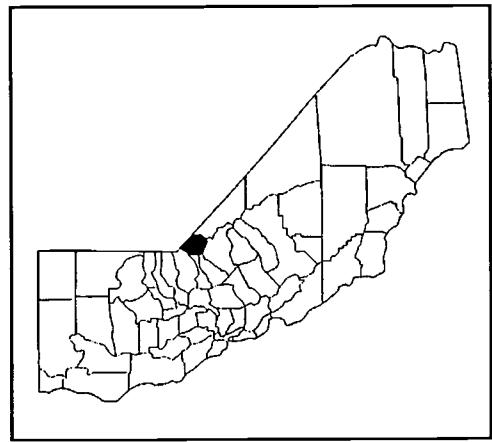
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# Alpine County



## Demographics

<u>ETHNICITIES</u> (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	1,217	229	58	100%
African-American	3	0	0	0%
Asian	10	4	2	3%
Latino	86	18	4	7%
Native American	317	95	34	59%
White	801	112	18	31%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>	<b>7</b>			

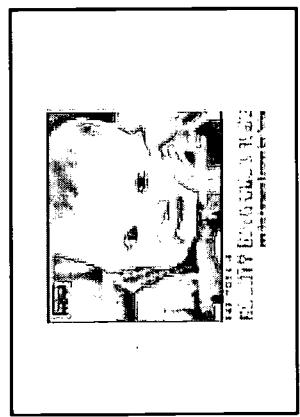
## County Highlights

Alpine is the least populated county in the state and has the least number of children. A large percentage (29%) of Alpine County's children live in families below the poverty level. This may partly explain why the county ranks 52nd of 58 counties in the percent of children receiving public assistance. Although there are no high schools in Alpine County, young children there experience the highest per pupil expenditure and the smallest class sizes in the state. Despite these advantages, third grade math scores are below average compared to other counties.

## Family Economics

<u>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY</u> (1995)	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<u>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION</u> (1997)	Number	Percent
Percent	28.5%	27.4%	All	4	5.1%
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF</u> (1998)	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	21.4%	24.1%	Asian	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	Latino	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	Native American	NS	NS
Latino	0.0%	NS	White	NS	NS
Native American	42.1%	29.4%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996 1997 1998	
White	7.1%	22.2%	Cost/month—infant	NA	NA
			Cost/month—preschool	\$390	NA
			Child care centers:	NA	NA
			% spaces for infants	0%	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE</b> (1997—Ages 0-4)					
Number of participants	54				
Percent of all eligible	150.0%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT</b> (1998)					
Two bedroom	\$510				
As percent of minimum wage	53.2%				
Percent cases with orders	78%				
Money collected mo./case with order	\$102				
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# Introduction

Recent neurological research complements what many parents and early interventionists have known for years: that children undergo tremendous emotional, social, cognitive and physical growth during their first years of life and that their genetic make-up only partially determines the course of their development. In addition, their relationships and their environments have a profound impact on their well-being, offering opportunities to maximize children's potential—or cause harm. While no one should infer that older children and adults are somehow "beyond" help, it is often true that intervening early in the lives of children and families is the most effective and least costly. Children Now has focused this year's *California County Data Book and Report Card* on the status of children from birth to age five and their families to provide information for those developing policies that seek to capitalize on these special years.

Understanding the importance of early childhood continues to grow. We know, for example, that infancy and early childhood are prime times for learning. What may seem to be a one-sided conversation with a baby is actually a rich dialogue: as the parent speaks or sings, the infant picks up clues essential for language development. If the infant enjoys the stimulation, she coos and gurgles, enticing the parent to continue and strengthening the bond between them. If the infant has had enough she may turn away or

cry. At these times, it's important for the parent to follow the infant's cue so she'll learn to trust that those she loves will respond to her needs. With nurturing care, infants grow into children excited and ready to learn from their world. But not all families know how or are able to create the caring environment children need. Parenting skills are not inborn. Particularly (but not exclusively) families under stress—from factors such as poverty, domestic violence or being a single or teen parent—may need special services to help them take care of their young child. Likewise, not all young children are developmentally equipped to take on the social, emotional, cognitive and physical tasks of early childhood. These children may need intensive resources to help address delays and disabilities; their families may need extra support and guidance, too.

A community that marshals its resources can be a powerful ally for new parents. All children need access to health care and most will use child care. Libraries and safe parks can augment children's learning and play environments. Other important services for families include parenting education and crisis intervention. Business practices and employment policies influence family life as well. Supporting families with young children is ultimately a community endeavor.

In recognition of the importance of early childhood and the benefits of community-based

services, California's voters approved Proposition 10, the California Children and Families First Act. The new law levies a tobacco tax and earmarks the revenue for state and county activities to promote healthy early childhood development. Eighty percent of the estimated \$650 million generated each year will be allocated by new county commissions, with the remaining twenty percent under the control of a state commission. The initiative provides Californians with the opportunity to create a seamless system of services, support and information for parents of young children. See [www.children98.org](http://www.children98.org) for the full text of the initiative.

## Key Data Findings

The *California County Data Book* includes indicators from the fields of family economics, health, education and safety, as well as demographics data. When available and when significant, we present trend analysis and data according to racial and ethnic groups. Parents of and advocates for older children should note that many of the important indicators from past editions of this publication are included beginning on page 130.

A troubling finding emerges from Children Now's comparison of the well-being of all children with that of young children: young children are significantly more likely to be poor, which

threatens their healthy development. While 24.3% of children birth to age 17 live in poverty, 28.6% of children birth to age four do. High percentages of rural and urban infants and toddlers alike live in families with incomes less than \$16,450 for a family of four: about 40% of the young children in Los Angeles and Fresno and about half of the young children in Imperial County are poor.

California has not done all it could to ensure a safe and healthful environment for its young children:

- Adequate nutrition, including being breastfed, helps to promote growth and development and minimize health care and educational problems. The WIC program has proven success in improving mothers' and young children's access to nutritious foods, breastfeeding support and nutrition counseling, yet three in ten infants and toddlers eligible for WIC are not receiving services.

High quality child care can enhance children's social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth. Yet with the average monthly cost for an infant to attend a child care center just over \$650 a month (68 percent of a full-time minimum wage salary), many low-income working families have little or no ability to base their child care decision on quality.

• California's skyrocketing housing costs strain family budgets and threaten to make decent housing—a place where young children can safely explore and grow—an unattainable luxury. California's lowest fair market rents (in Colusa, Glenn, Modoc, Plumas, Siskiyou, Tehama and Trinity Counties) are about half of a full-time minimum wage income and the highest (in Marin, San Francisco and San Mateo Counties) exceed full-time minimum wage income.

- Infant mortality remains a tragic reality for too many families. Mirroring the persistently troubling national trend, the infant mortality rate for African-American children in California is more than double the state average and more than triple the rate for Asian/Pacific Islander families (who have the lowest rate).

But much in the lives of families is missing from this report. Beginning with our first *Report Card* ten years ago, Children Now has noted California's lack of data about critical indicators. This year is no different, and we hope that Proposition 10 and the statewide attention to early childhood issues will yield a meaningful commitment to gather and report accurate, consistent and relevant cross-county data. In particular, Children Now and the Report Card/County Data Book Advisory Committee believe that the following data at the county level, among others, are essential to future planning, yet these data are unavailable:

- The number of children waiting for child care spaces;
- The availability of high-quality, affordable child care;
  - Children's preschool attendance;
  - The number of children without health insurance;
  - The number of toddlers up-to-date on their immunizations;
  - Children's dental health;
  - Cases of asthma, developmental delays and other prevalent conditions for young children;
  - The number of lead poisoned young children;
  - Children's housing status and conditions;
  - Parent education levels and employment status;
  - Rates of child abuse of young children.

In addition, some important indicators had rates that were uniformly so low that it became meaningless to include them in the *California County Data Book*. For example, UNICEF has developed "Baby Friendly" hospital protocols for promoting breastfeeding, such as rooming infants with their mothers when medically appropriate and not distributing free samples of baby formula. These practices have demonstrated success in improving breastfeeding, a practice which improves maternal and child health alike. Yet, in California, merely three hospitals and birthing centers have received official UNICEF certification and only 14 others have even initiated the certification process. The certifications per county are too small to report,

but we should not ignore this finding. Despite this lack of data, the *California County Data Book* can be used to understand at least in part how young children and their families are faring across the state. We urge readers to use the *California County Data Book* as part of the process of defining your county's and our state's priorities for Proposition 10 and other policy decisions affecting the well-being of young children and their families.

### **Interpreting & Using the Data**

To understand how young children in your county are faring:

- **Look at the trends in indicators.** In which areas is the county improving? In which areas are conditions worsening for children? Are there areas in which the outcomes have remained consistently poor? Do they reflect an earlier problem faced by young children?

### **Recommendations**

- **Look at your county rankings compared to other counties.** In which areas is your county doing relatively well? What requires special attention? Are there any indicators for which the rank is significantly different from the rankings in other areas?

- **Compare your county to similar counties.** If you live in a large urban county, you may want

### **At the County Level**

to compare your outcomes for children with another large urban county. If you live in a rural or suburban county, compare your county with a similar one.

- **Look at how the well-being of young children compares to the well-being of older children.** Are young children generally faring better or worse than all children? Do young children need special attention on any particular issue?

- **Compare how well different ethnic groups fare in your county.** Does parity exist across ethnic lines? How do different ethnic groups fare across several indicators? Please note that, for some indicators, county averages may hide important disparities among ethnic groups, children of various ages and different neighborhoods of the county.

- **Involve parents and diverse sectors in Proposition 10 planning and evaluation.** The collaborative intent of the initiative opens up opportunities to engage diverse sectors of the community in planning and evaluating services. Most critically, parents of young children should be encouraged to participate. Local commissions can do so by addressing parents' transportation, child care and translation needs and by setting meeting times that make attendance feasible. In addition, special outreach may be needed to engage the business sector, which has a tremendous impact on children's lives as employers of their parents. In turn, business is directly and indirectly affected by the well-being of children, families and communities.
- **Probe further into young children's needs in your community.** The *California County Data Book* provides information on young children that is available for every county, but additional investigation and data collection in individual counties can yield further information about how well young children are doing in one's own region. County health departments, departments of education and child care resource and referral agencies are among the entities with valuable local information about children.

## At the State Level

### • *Develop and fund the implementation of a Master Plan for California's Young Children.*

Similar to the Master Plan for Higher Education and others developed at the state level, a Master Plan for California's Young Children would help prioritize state resources dedicated to young children and their families, and would promote joint public and private sector efforts directed at achieving common goals.

- *Expand the availability of high-quality child care.* Qualified and experienced child care providers are an important component of quality care. California should provide funds to compensate child care providers who further their own professional development. The Legislature approved, but the governor deleted, such funds in the 1999-2000 state budget. With subsidized care available to just one in four of the children who qualifies, California must develop a long-term, sustainable strategy to increase resources dedicated to helping families meet child care costs. Partnerships with the private sector, such as a state matching fund for employer contributions to child care costs, should be developed.

- *sions for children and parents, but held fast to requiring an assets test to determine parents' eligibility for health insurance. Forcing parents to complete extra administrative paperwork already eliminated for children is an unnecessary bureaucratic burden and should be removed in the coming year. Other steps to improve children's coverage include:*
  - \* *allowing children to be enrolled in Medi-Cal for one continuous year;*

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- *Design the state budget with children as the top priority.* Eleven other states have established a state Earned Income Credit (EIC), which supplements the federal EIC, a refundable tax credit for low-income working families. Approximately 2.3 million low-income working California families would gain a valuable supplement to their family resources through a state EIC. In addition, our current array of tax expenditures should be reconsidered annually to determine their benefit to children and families.

- *Improve information systems about young children's well-being.* This report notes a number of important indicators of young children's well-being about which we lack county-level information and, in some cases, state-level information. Understanding children's needs at a local level is essential for utilizing resources wisely to promote their healthy development. State officials should develop a plan to improve public data systems regarding outcomes for young children.

## The Private Sector

- *Thirty-five percent of employed parents in California have children under age five, making the private sector highly influential in the lives of young children. In addition to becoming involved*

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- *Improve health insurance programs to cover all eligible children.* The 1999-2000 state budget included modest health coverage expansion

with their local Proposition 10 planning and implementation efforts, the private sector can:

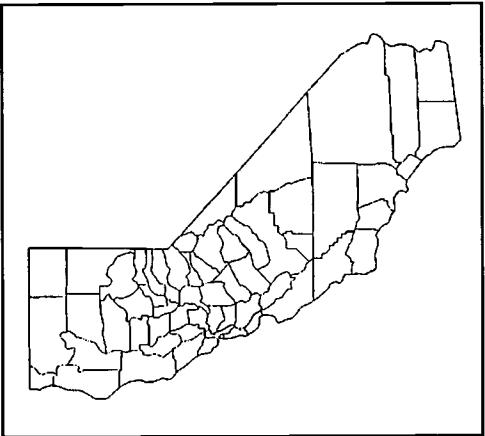
- Become engaged in local and statewide efforts to expand access to and improve the quality of child care.
- Survey your employees with young children about which benefits (child care resource and referral, child care services, health care, maternity/paternity leave, etc.) would be most helpful to their efforts to balance work and family. Assure that employee health coverage provides for important prevention services for young children.
- Get involved in local efforts to increase the affordable housing supply, an important factor in workforce recruitment and retention.
- Vote for candidates who offer concrete suggestions for supporting children and families. Call your elected officials and tell them that you are concerned about the well-being of young children in your community.
- Support programs in your community that help young children. You can learn about programs through county volunteer agencies, local libraries, child care resource and referral agencies and the mayor's office.
- Reach out to parents of young children in your neighborhood with help and support.
- Talk with other business leaders about the importance of early childhood and how workplace policies influence the lives of parents and children. Help create a family-friendly business culture in your community.

### All Californians

Parenting a young child can be one of life's most joyful experiences. It can also be challenging, scary and lonely. As a resident of California, you

can take steps to make our state better for all children and families:

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## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	33,506,406	9,426,168	3,363,312	100%	
African-American	2,309,152	702,441	235,540	7%	
Asian	3,716,953	1,056,688	370,593	11%	
Latino	10,022,551	3,847,685	1,562,203	46%	
Native American	199,747	50,286	16,067	<1%	
White	17,258,003	3,769,068	1,178,909	35%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		524,174			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent	Percent	24.3%	28.6%	All	166,525
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	7,027
All	15.2%	16.3%	17%	Asian	7,979
African-American	39.5%	45.9%		Latino	134,255
Asian	16.4%	12.3%		Native American	755
Latino	16.3%			White	16,378
Native American	17.6%	19.3%			
White	9.1%	10.6%			
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		1996	1997	1998	
Cost/month—infant		\$585	NA	\$651	
Cost/month—preschool		\$407	NA	\$467	
Child care centers:		4%	NA	4%	
% spaces for infants					
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		942,858			
Number of participants	68.4%				
Percent of all eligible					
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		NA			
Two bedroom					
As percent of minimum wage					
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998	
Percent cases with orders	48%	59%	64%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$78	\$91	\$95		

## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	4.6%	3.8%	3.7%	
African-American	5.1%	4.2%	4.5%	
Asian	3.2%	2.8%	2.9%	
Latino	5.8%	4.9%	4.6%	
Native American	9.8%	7.5%	7.2%	
White	3.2%	2.4%	2.4%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	
African-American	12.1%	11.9%	12.1%	
Asian	6.4%	6.8%	6.8%	
Latino	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	
Native American	6.8%	6.1%	5.7%	
White	5.6%	5.5%	5.5%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	6.3	5.9	5.9	
African-American	14.1	14.0	13.2	
Asian	4.4	4.0	4.0	
Latino	5.8	5.4	5.6	
Native American	7.3	4.5	3.9	
White	6.0	5.6	5.5	

## INSTITUTE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	67.2	61.6	56.7	
African-American	87.7	78.1	74.6	
Asian	26.1	23.1	21.6	
Latino	120.5	112.9	103.5	
Native American	76.5	65.4	69.1	
White	33.1	29.5	26.2	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998	Percent
All		43%		
African-American				
Asian				
Latino				
Native American				
White				

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	NA	NA
Average class size		29.1	27.4	27.2
Per pupil expenditure		\$4,287	\$4,570	\$4,938
STUDENT PROFICIENCY	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	25%	25%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		47%	53%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		46%	56%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)	1997	1998	1999	
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		5.0	1.4	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.4	1.4	

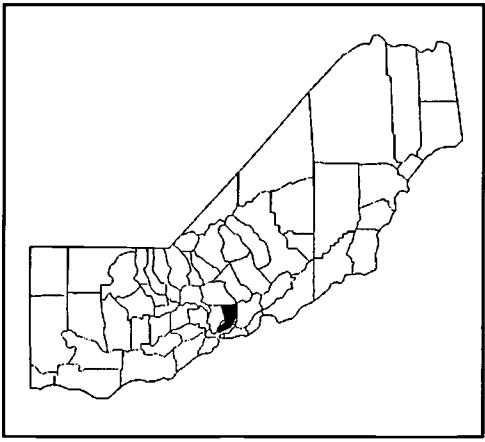
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		1997	1998	1999
All		11.3	10.3	
African-American		53.7	47.6	
Asian		1.6	1.5	
Latino		7.9	6.9	
Native American		24.2	26.7	
White		9.1	9.6	
CHILD ABUSE (1996)	1997	1998	1999	
Number of reports		706,918	78,2	
Rate (per 1,000)		11.3	10.1	
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)	1997	1998	1999	
Injuries	909	38		
Deaths	337	19		
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)	1997	1998	1999	
Injuries	48,788	7,389		
Deaths	408	88		

## California

Safety		1996	1997	1998
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)	1997	1998	1999	
All	11.3	10.3		
African-American	53.7	47.6		
Asian	1.6	1.5		
Latino	7.9	6.9		
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Family Economics		1996	1997	1998
Thirteen counties have young child poverty rates of 30% or higher, with young children living in the Central Valley among the most likely to be poor.				
Seven of the eight most unaffordable metropolitan areas in the nation are in California. In these regions, at least 67% of renters pay more than half their income on rent.				
Health	1997	1998	1999	
California's infant mortality rate has dropped, from 6.3 deaths per 1,000 births in 1995 to 5.9 per 1,000 births in 1997. However, the mortality rate for African-American infants remains twice that of white infants.				
Statewide teen birth rates continue to improve, falling from 67.2 per 1,000 female teens ages 15 to 19. However, significant differences remain among various ethnic groups.				
Education	1996	1997	1998	
Among the thirteen counties where four-fifths of the state's children reside, at least 40% of children eligible for Head Start (a federally funded comprehensive preschool program for low-income children) are not enrolled.				
California's class size reduction efforts for the early grades have resulted in a decline in average K-12 class sizes, from 29.1 to 27.2 students between 1995 and 1997.				
The rate of children ages 0-17 in foster care increased between 1995 and 1997, from 10.1 to 11.3 per 1,000 children. The rate of children under age six in foster care also increased from 9.6 to 10.3 per 1,000 children.				
Motor vehicle accidents claimed the lives of 408 California children in 1998, 88 of whom were under age six. In the same year, 48,788 children were injured, with 7,389 of these children under age six. Auto accidents are a leading cause of death for young children.				

# Alameda County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	1,424,779	372,463	131,102	100%	
African-American	247,223	73,407	24,668	19%	
Asian	269,477	76,541	27,999	21%	
Latino	251,374	86,654	34,812	27%	
Native American	6,712	1,588	536	<1%	
White	649,993	134,273	43,087	33%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		20,766			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	Number	Percent
All	17.3%	19.6%		3,823	18.4%
African-American				685	18.5%
Asian				494	11.1%
Latino				2,239	41.6%
Native American				15	19.2%
White				383	5.8%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		<b>CHILD CARE</b>		1996	1997
All	14.0%	14.4%	Cost/month - infant	\$689	NA
African-American	35.4%	40.4%	Cost/month - preschool	\$481	NA
Asian	13.3%	9.3%	Child care centers:	5%	NA
Latino	8.8%	9.7%	% spaces for infants		6%
Native American	13.6%	15.7%			
White	6.0%	6.5%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>		<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997
Number of participants	23,967	Percent cases with orders	83%	89%	88%
Percent of all eligible	60.6%	Money collected mo./case with order	\$103	\$102	\$105
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$812				
As percent of minimum wage	84.7%				

		1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>		2.3%	1.8%	2.1%
African-American	3.4%	2.4%	3.2%	
Asian	2.4%	1.6%	2.2%	
Latino	2.6%	2.3%	2.5%	
Native American	4.0%	5.2%	3.8%	
White	1.4%	1.3%	1.2%	

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

		1995	1996	1997
All	6.9%	7.0%	6.9%	
African-American	12.7%	12.3%	13.2%	
Asian	6.3%	7.0%	6.4%	
Latino	5.3%	5.1%	5.7%	
Native American	9.1%	3.1%	3.8%	
White	5.3%	5.5%	4.7%	

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

		1995	1996	1997
All	5.4	6.0	6.0	

		1995	1996	1997
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
% eligible in Head Start			NA	42.9%
Average class size			28.6	26.9
Per pupil expenditure		\$4519	\$4,767	27.0

		1995	1996	1997
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>				
Students with limited English Proficiency			19%	19%
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.			49%	56%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.			45%	56%

		1995	1996	1997
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)				6.7

		1995	1996	1997
<b>Safety</b>				
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)				2.3

		1995	1996	1997
<b>POSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>				
All	12.4	2.9		
African-American	11.5	13.6		
Asian	3.0	5.3		
Latino	4.4	4.8	4.5	
Native American	0.0	10.4	0.0	
White	4.4	3.6	6.3	

		1995	1996	1997
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>				
Number of reports				14,120
Rate (per 1,000)				40.3

		1995	1996	1997
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>				
Injuries			28	2
Deaths			11	0

		1995	1996	1997
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>				
Injuries			1,868	259
Deaths			8	0

		1995	1996	1997
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		1995	1996	1997
<b>Education</b>				
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start			39 / 57	
Average class size			46 / 58	
Per pupil expenditure			15 / 58	
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average			22 / 58	
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average			23 / 58	
Public libraries: Monthly hours open			32 / 58	
Public libraries: Preschool programs			20 / 56	

		1995	1996	1997
<b>Health</b>				
Foster care rate (0-17)			50 / 57	
Foster care rate (0-5)			39 / 48	
Child abuse			6 / 58	
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)			14 / 55	
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)			11 / 44	

## Education

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	18.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
African-American	NS	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS	NS
Latino	NS	NS	NS	NS
Native American	25.0%	NS	NS	NS
White	NS	NS	NS	NS
PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
African-American	NS	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS	NS
Latino	NS	NS	NS	NS
Native American	0.0%	NS	NS	NS
White	NS	NS	NS	NS

CLASSROOMS	1996	1997	1998	1999
% eligible in Head Start	NA	NA	NA	NA
Average class size	15.7	13.9	16.4	
Per pupil expenditure	\$8,818	\$9,991	\$13,252	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	0%	0%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	44%	44%	63%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	33%	33%	44%	

Safety					
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5	
All	33.8	48.4			
African-American	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Latino	0.0	NS	NS	NS	NS
Native American	33.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
White	40.3	142.9			
CHILD ABUSE (1996)					
Number of reports		115			
Rate (per 1,000)		467.5			
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)					
Injuries	0	0	0	0	0
Deaths	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)					
Injuries	5	5	3	3	0
Deaths	0	0	0	0	0

Family Economics

Children living in poverty (0-17)	50 / 58	NR / 49
Children living in poverty (0-4)	38 / 58	NR / 49
Children receiving TANF(0-17)	52 / 58	NR / 37
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	54 / 58	NR / 52
Children receiving WIC assistance	1 / 58	
Fair marker rent as % of min. wage	15 / 58	
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	NA / 55	
Child care cost/month—infant	NA / 38	
Child care cost/month—preschool	NA / 52	
Child care: % spaces for infants	47 / 47	
Child support: % cases w/ orders	NR / 48	
Child support: \$ collected	NR / 48	
<b>Health</b>		
Late/no prenatal care		
Low birthweight infants		
Infant mortality		
Teen births		
Mothers who initiate exclusive		

## Health

Late/no prenatal care	NR / 49
Low birthweight infants	NR / 49
Infant mortality	NR / 37
Teen births	NR / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	50 / 58
<b>Education</b>	
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	NA / 57
Average class size	1 / 58
Per pupil expenditure	1 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	11 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	53 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	1 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs	51 / 56

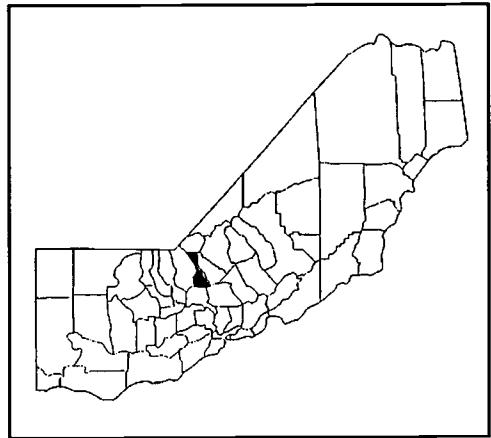
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Per pupil expenditure	1 / 58
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Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	53 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	1 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs	51 / 56
<b>Safety</b>	
Foster care rate (0-17)	NR / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)	NR / 48
Child abuse	58 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	NR / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	NR / 44

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# Amador County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	33,988	6,451	1,791	100%
African-American	1,664	134	8	<1%
Asian	222	48	22	1%
Latino	2,982	721	189	11%
Native American	486	108	31	2%
White	28,634	5,440	1541	86%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		270		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	13.2%	16.5%	All	43	15.9%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	9.4%	13.1%	Asian	NS	NS
African-American	1.5%	12.5%	Latino	12	44.4%
Asian	2.1%	0.0%	Native American	NS	NS
Latino	2.9%	4.8%	White	30	12.8%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>			<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All			Cost/month - infant	\$563	NA
African-American			Cost/month - preschool	\$368	NA
Asian			Child care centers:	3%	NA
Latino			% spaces for infants		2%
Native American					
White					
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>					
Number of participants	338				
Percent of all eligible	58.8%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$611				
As percent of minimum wage	63.8%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>			1996	1997	1998
Percent cases with orders	75%	71%	87%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$99	\$110	\$92		

## County Highlights

Amador County ranks above average in many child well-being indicators, including the percent of child support orders established and the monthly dollar amount collected per cases with orders established. The county also has one of the lowest teen birth and low birthweight infant rates. Its child care costs also rank among the lowest in the state. Few of Amador's child care slots are available for infants. Amador ranks last in per pupil expenditures.

**Health**
**LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE**

	1995	1996	1997
All	2.4%	2.4%	1.5%
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	3.7%	3.8%	0.0%
Native American	NS	0.0%	NS
White	1.0%	2.4%	1.7%

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	5.3%	3.8%	5.9%
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	3.7%	7.7%	11.1%
Native American	NS	0.0%	NS
White	5.3%	3.6%	5.6%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	0.0	3.5	0.0
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0
Native American	NS	0.0	NS
White	0.0	4.0	0.0

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	38.5	37.0	34.7
African-American	32.3	0.0	54.1
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	51.3	30.3	60.2
Native American	105.3	157.9	0.0
White	35.0	36.8	30.8

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997	1998
Percent	76%	
Injuries	1	0
Deaths	0	0

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1998	1999
Injuries	53	3
Deaths	0	0

**Education**
**CLASSROOMS**

	1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start	NA	62.5%	NA
Average class size	26.0	25.0	23.9
Per pupil expenditure	\$3,646	\$4,194	\$4,388

**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**

	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	1%	1%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	57%	54%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	48%	59%	

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)**

	Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)
	33.5	0.0

**Safety**
**FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)**

	1997	1998	1999
All	3.5	1.1	
African-American	12.7	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	
Latino	2.7	0.0	
Native American	8.8	0.0	
White	3.3	1.3	

**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**

	Number of reports	Rate (per 1,000)
	485	75.0

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

	1997	1998
Injuries	1	0
Deaths	0	0

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1998	1999
Injuries	53	3
Deaths	0	0

**Family Economics**

Children living in poverty (0-17)	9 / 58
Children living in poverty (0-4)	12 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	14 / 58
Children receiving WIC assistance	40 / 58
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	33 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	5 / 55
Child care cost/month—infant	5 / 38
Child care cost/month—preschool	4 / 52
Child care: % spaces for infants	40 / 47
Child support: % cases w/ orders	10 / 48
Child support: \$ collected	14 / 48
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	9 / 58

**Health**
**Education**

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	12 / 57
Average class size	17 / 58
Per pupil expenditure	58 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	27 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	17 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	10 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs	51 / 56

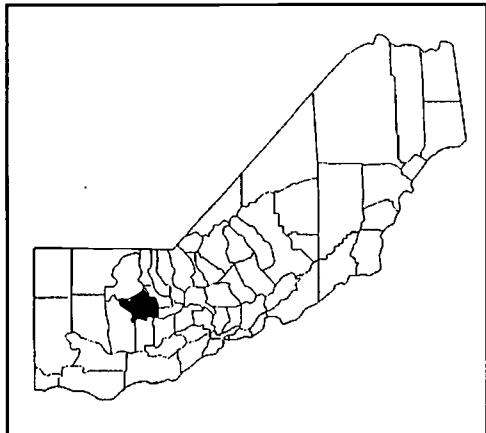
**Safety**

Foster care rate (0-17)	7 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)	NR / 48
Child abuse	13 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	49 / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	NR / 44

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# Butte County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	201,303	49,549	15,325	100%
African-American	2,655	889	299	2%
Asian	7,789	3,339	1,318	9%
Latino	17,272	6,355	2,325	15%
Native American	3,288	880	251	2%
White	170,299	38,086	11,132	73%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>2,253</b>		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	26.7%	30.1%	All	645	28.6%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	16	41.0%
All	25.1%	28.8%	Asian	112	59.3%
African-American	52.3%	67.6%	Latino	202	54.2%
Asian	80.3%	59.9%	Native American	23	44.2%
Latino	17.5%	20.5%	White	292	18.3%
Native American	26.7%	34.3%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White	20.8%	25.7%	Cost/month - infant	\$719	NA
			Cost/month - preschool	\$325	NA
			Child care centers:	7%	NA
			% spaces for infants		8%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>			<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants	4,760	64.0%	Percent cases with orders	42%	51%
Percent of all eligible			Money collected mo./case with order	\$84	\$79
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$554	57.8%			
As percent of minimum wage					

## County Highlights

Butte County has one of the highest rates of poverty (over 30%) in the state for young children under age five. Butte County families in need of child support also experience a below average collection per cases with orders established and the county ranks near the bottom in its ability to establish orders as a percent of total child support cases. Butte has a high incidence of child abuse reports and children in foster care. Butte County ranks well compared to other counties in its rate of low birthweight infants.

# Butte County Rankings

	LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE	1995	1996	1997
All	5.4%	4.8%	5.8%	
African-American	9.8%	11.4%	12.8%	
Asian	5.1%	7.8%	6.3%	
Latino	8.9%	7.4%	8.8%	
Native American	15.2%	15.9%	11.5%	
White	4.3%	3.4%	4.7%	

	PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS	1995	1996	1997
All	5.2%	4.9%	4.6%	
African-American	9.8%	11.4%	10.3%	
Asian	4.0%	6.9%	4.2%	
Latino	3.8%	5.4%	5.6%	
Native American	4.3%	6.8%	5.8%	
White	5.5%	4.3%	4.2%	

	INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	10.3	6.9	6.7	
African-American	0.0	0.0	25.6	
Asian	0.0	0.0	5.3	
Latino	5.4	2.5	5.4	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	13.0	9.1	6.9	

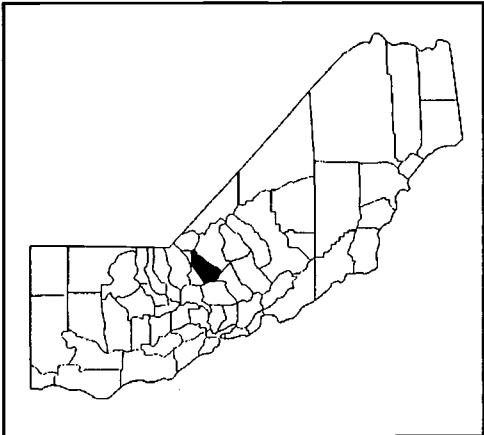
	TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	64.2	62.4	51.7	
African-American	98.0	105.8	73.4	
Asian	160.8	162.7	144.5	
Latino	107.7	104.5	89.0	
Native American	92.4	84.0	93.0	
White	52.1	49.5	39.1	

	MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING	1997	1998
Percent	59%		

	CLASSROOMS	1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	40.1%	NA
Average class size		27.5	26.5	26.2
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,033	\$4,439	\$4,857	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency		10%	10%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		45%	47%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		38%	45%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)	Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	3.3		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.9		
Safety				
Late/no prenatal care		30 / 49		
Low birthweight infants		8 / 49		
Infant mortality		35 / 37		
Teen births		34 / 52		
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding		32 / 58		
Education				
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		47 / 57		
Average class size		32 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure		45 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average		39 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average		50 / 58		
Public libraries: Monthly hours open		54 / 58		
Public libraries: Preschool programs		23 / 56		
Safety				
Foster care rate (0-17)		54 / 57		
Foster care rate (0-5)		47 / 48		
Child abuse		53 / 58		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)		26 / 55		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)		26 / 44		

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# Calaveras County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	39,194	8,935	2,414	100%
African-American	201	43	12	<1%
Asian	225	81	31	1%
Latino	2531	794	245	10%
Native American	732	189	54	2%
White	35,505	7,828	2,072	86%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>	<b>327</b>			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)		Number		Percent
Percent	17.1%	Percent	19.5%	All	54	16.5%
		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
				Asian	NS	NS
				Latino	14	40.0%
				Native American	NS	NS
				White	35	12.5%
CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		CHILD CARE		1996 1997 1998		
All	14.0%	14.0%	17.1%	Cost/month—infant	\$537	NA
African-American	11.6%	11.6%	8.3%	Cost/month—preschool	\$368	NA
Asian	3.7%	3.7%	9.7%	Child care centers:	3%	\$325
Latino	6.7%	6.7%	6.9%	% spaces for infants	NA	4%
Native American	10.6%	10.6%	13.0%			.
White	14.9%	14.9%	18.6%			
CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)		CHILD SUPPORT		1996 1997 1998		
Number of participants	351	Percent cases with orders	55%	Percent cases with orders	55%	62%
Percent of all eligible	42.0%	Money collected mo./case with order	\$70	Money collected mo./case with order	\$77	74%
FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)		Two bedroom		\$561		\$79
				As percent of minimum wage	58.5%	

## County Highlights

Calaveras County ranks particularly well in births to mothers at least a high school degree and has one of the lower teen birth rates in California. Calaveras County also has the benefit of low infant child care costs, although it ranks below average in the percent of slots in child care centers designated for infants. Calaveras County has a relatively high incidence of child abuse reports and motor vehicle injuries or deaths to children.

	LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE	1995	1996	1997
All	4.5%	1.9%	3.4%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	3.6%	3.0%	5.7%	
Native American	0.0%	10.0%	NS	
White	4.7%	1.1%	3.2%	

	PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS	1995	1996	1997
All	7.3%	5.3%	4.6%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	7.1%	3.0%	2.9%	
Native American	0.0%	10.0%	NS	
White	7.7%	5.2%	4.6%	

	INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	13.1	3.1	0.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	14.8	3.7	0.0	

	TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	41.7	37.1	28.2	
African-American	142.9	0.0	0.0	
Asian	100.0	200.0	0.0	
Latino	51.5	69.3	42.4	
Native American	81.1	131.6	25.6	
White	38.3	29.9	27.3	

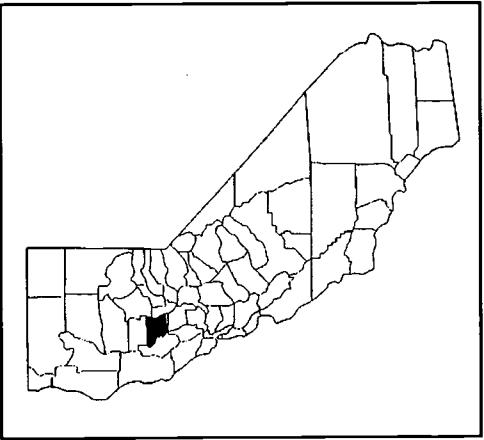
	MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING	1997	Percent
Injuries	59%		
Deaths			

	Safety	1995	1996	1997
All	13.1	3.1	0.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	14.8	3.7	0.0	

	EDUCATION	1995	1996	1997	1998
All	Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	NA	100.0%	NA	NA
African-American	Average class size	25.3	23.7	26.0	
Asian	Per pupil expenditure	\$3,784	\$4,215	\$5,253	
Latino	Children receiving TANF (0-17)				29 / 58
Native American	Children receiving TANF (0-5)				27 / 58
White	Fair market rent as % of min. wage				56 / 58
	Mothers w/ <12 yrs education				8 / 55
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>1999</b>
All	Students with limited English Proficiency	1%	1%	1%	NA
African-American	% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		51%	53%	
Asian	% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		38%	51%	
Latino					
Native American					
White					
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>					
All	Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		28.9		
African-American	Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		5.9		
Asian					
Latino					
Native American					
White					
<b>Safety</b>					
All	<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>				
African-American	All		8.9	8.9	
Asian	African-American		133.3	166.7	
Latino	Asian		0.0	0.0	
Native American	Latino		6.6	0.0	
White	Native American		16.1	0.0	
	White		8.3	9.2	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>					
All	Number of reports		1,255		
African-American	Rate (per 1,000)		144.8		
Asian					
Latino					
Native American					
White					
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>					
All	Ages 0-17		1	1	
African-American	Injuries		0	0	
Asian	Deaths				
Latino					
Native American					
White					
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>					
All	Ages 0-5		1	1	
African-American	Injuries		0	0	
Asian	Deaths				
Latino					
Native American					
White					

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# Colusa County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	19,289	5,755	1,991	100%
African-American	82	12	5	<1%
Asian	359	80	26	1%
Latino	7,933	3,099	1,229	62%
Native American	328	80	24	1%
White	10,587	2,484	707	36%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>	<b>307</b>			

## County Highlights

Colusa County has a lower percentage of poor young children compared to other counties. Colusa has among the lowest preschool child care and housing costs in the state. Additionally, its average class size compares favorably to many other counties. Colusa County ranks below average in the percent of pregnant women receiving prenatal care services.

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)	
Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Number	Percent
All	21.3%	9.3%	11.9%	158	51.5
African-American		83.3%	NS	NS	NS
Asian		10.0%	7.7%	NS	NS
Latino		8.7%	11.6%	137	69.2%
Native American		18.8%	25.0%	NS	NS
White		9.4%	11.7%	20	20.0%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>					
Cost/month – infant				NA	NA
Cost/month – preschool				\$277	NA
Child care centers:				11%	\$294
% spaces for infants				NA	4%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>					
Percent cases with orders				58%	56%
Money collected mo./case with order				\$89	\$90

**Health**

<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	7.9%	8.3%	4.9%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	9.4%	11.1%	5.6%	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	5.6%	2.3%	4.0%	

<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	8.5%	3.3%	4.6%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	5.6%	4.3%	4.5%	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	11.1%	1.1%	4.0%	

<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	6.3	6.6	6.5	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	5.6	4.8	10.1	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	7.9	11.4	0.0	

<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	70.9	54.4	52.3	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0	66.7	0.0	
Latino	99.1	84.3	76.3	
Native American	0.0	47.6	52.6	
White	50.9	25.3	30.6	

<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>				
	1997			
Percent	38%			

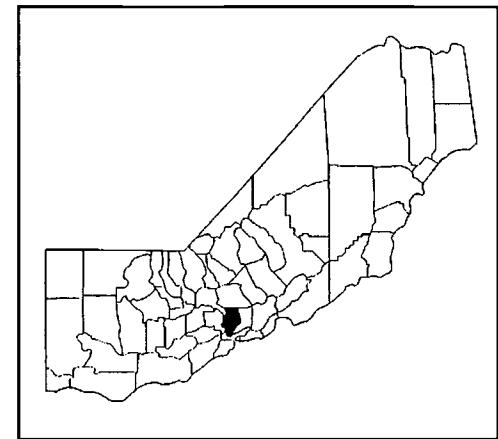
<b>Education</b>				
	1996	1997	1998	
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
% eligible in Head Start		NA	100.0%	NA
Average class size		21.6	20.7	20.8
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,245	\$4,782	\$4,930	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>				
English Proficiency		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		31%	36%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.			39%	53%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.			32%	48%
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			13.3	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			2.6	
<b>Safety</b>				
Late/no prenatal care				43 / 49
Low birthweight infants				NR / 49
Infant mortality				NR / 37
Teen births				32 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				43 / 58

<b>Family Economics</b>	
Children living in poverty (0-17)	30 / 58
Children living in poverty (0-4)	36 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	17 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	17 / 58
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	1 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	55 / 55

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# Contra Costa County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	911,540	234,329	77,056	100%
African-American	84,847	26,817	8,930	12%
Asian	109,057	31,481	10,253	13%
Latino	122,544	44,555	17,115	22%
Native American	4,897	968	231	<1%
White	590,195	130,508	40,527	53%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

12,294

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>		<b>CHILD CARE (1996)</b>	
Percent	Children Ages 0-17	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent
All	12.3%	15.0%	1,920	15.6%	
African-American			221	16.5%	
Asian			94	6.6%	
Latino			1,191	40.6%	
Native American			11	22.0%	
White			400	6.4%	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		<b>CHILD CARE</b>		<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	
All	10.5%	12.2%	1996	1997	1998
African-American	36.9%	43.7%	\$689	NA	\$749
Asian	8.1%	7.0%	\$481	NA	\$553
Latino	9.6%	10.9%	4%	NA	4%
Native American	6.3%	5.6%			
White	5.9%	7.1%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		<b>Percent cases with orders</b>		<b>Percent cases with orders</b>	
Number of participants	11,677	1996	1997	1998	
Percent of all eligible	68.1%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		<b>Money collected mo./case with order</b>		<b>\$92</b>	
Two bedroom		\$812		\$73	
As percent of minimum wage	84.7%				

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	3.9%	3.3%	2.8%
All	3.9%	3.3%	2.8%
African-American	4.5%	5.0%	4.0%
Asian	3.6%	3.8%	3.6%
Latino	6.1%	5.1%	4.0%
Native American	5.9%	5.3%	6.0%
White	2.9%	2.1%	1.9%

<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	6.0%	6.3%	6.3%
African-American	11.8%	12.4%	11.3%
Asian	7.5%	6.7%	6.4%
Latino	5.0%	4.9%	5.1%
Native American	2.9%	2.6%	6.0%
White	4.8%	5.6%	5.6%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>	6.0	5.5	5.1

<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	40.1	39.2	36.7
African-American	85.2	76.0	74.7
Asian	20.7	18.1	18.8
Latino	88.5	91.7	85.0
Native American	47.0	39.0	80.0
White	22.4	21.4	17.9

<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>	1997	1997	1997
All	63%	63%	63%
African-American	40.9	40.9	40.9
Asian	71.7	71.7	71.7
Latino	55.0	55.0	55.0
Native American	47.0	47.0	47.0
White	22.4	22.4	22.4

	1997	1997	1997
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	Injuries	19	19
	Deaths	4	0
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	Percent	134	134
		2	2

	1998	1997	1996	1995
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>	% eligible in Head Start	NA	52.1%	NA
Average class size	29.6	27.9	27.5	NA
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,193	\$4,522	\$4,932	NA

	1997	1998	1999
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	10%	11%	NA
Students with limited English Proficiency	57%	62%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	52%	60%	NA
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	4.9	2.4	NA

	1998	1997	1996	1995
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>	Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	4.9	2.4	NA
	Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	2.4	NA	NA
<b>Safety</b>	Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	21	18	NA

	1998	1997	1996	1995
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	NA	NA
All	9.6	7.9	NA	NA
African-American	44.1	33.0	NA	NA
Asian	1.0	0.5	NA	NA
Latino	4.6	3.1	NA	NA
Native American	20.4	20.8	NA	NA
White	6.1	6.1	NA	NA

	1998	1997	1996	1995
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>	Number of reports	20,382	89,6	NA
	Rate (per 1,000)	NA	NA	NA
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	Injuries	19	19	NA
	Deaths	4	0	NA

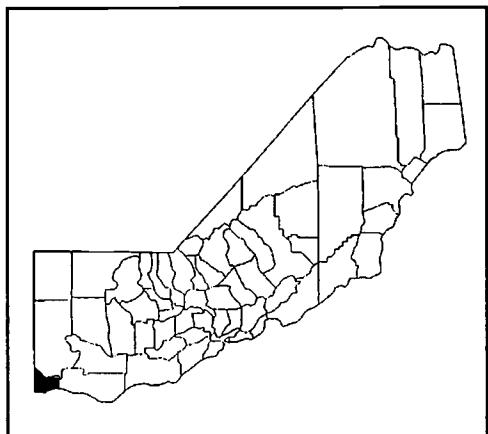
	1998	1997	1996	1995
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	NA	NA
Injuries	1,049	134	NA	NA
Deaths	7	2	NA	NA

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# Del Norte County



## Demographics

<u>ETHNICITIES (1998)</u>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	29,390	7,174	2,102	100%
African-American	1,004	29	8	<1%
Asian	655	319	103	5%
Latino	3,426	981	312	15%
Native American	1,640	616	193	9%
White	22,665	5,229	1,486	71%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>324</b>		

## Family Economics

<u>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1998)</u>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<u>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</u>	Number	Percent
Percent	26.7%	27.7%	All	108	33.3%
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</u>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	27.8%	32.9%	Asian	7	50.0%
African-American	31.0%	12.5%	Latino	30	63.8%
Asian	100.0%	92.2%	Native American	13	41.9%
Latino	10.2%	14.1%	White	57	24.9%
Native American	28.1%	29.5%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White	26.6%	33.2%	Cost/month - infant	NA	NA
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>			Cost/month - preschool	NA	NA
Number of participants	871	80.4%	Child care centers:	NA	\$225
Percent of all eligible			% spaces for infants	NA	0%
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>			<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Two bedroom	\$561	58.5%	Percent cases with orders	70%	47%
As percent of minimum wage			Money collected mo./case with order	\$87	\$135

## County Highlights

Del Norte County has a higher percentage of young children and children under eighteen living in poverty. Del Norte has a fairly high incidence of child abuse reports and a high rate of children in foster care. Del Norte County ranks above average in child support collections per cases with orders and has the lowest child care costs in the state.

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	6.8%	3.3%	3.4%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	29.4%	6.3%	21.4%	
Latino	6.8%	4.9%	2.1%	
Native American	14.8%	0.0%	3.2%	
White	4.1%	3.3%	2.6%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	4.5%	4.5%	7.4%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0%	6.3%	14.3%	
Latino	4.5%	0.0%	8.5%	
Native American	14.8%	3.2%	12.9%	
White	3.6%	5.3%	5.7%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	16.1	3.0	15.4	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	58.8	0.0	0.0	
Latino	22.7	0.0	0.0	
Native American	37.0	0.0	32.3	
White	9.1	4.1	17.5	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	69.2	57.2	61.3	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	130.4	43.5	66.7	
Latino	89.9	51.0	37.7	
Native American	97.6	87.5	123.6	
White	62.0	55.6	56.4	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1995	1996	1997
Injuries		0	0	0
Deaths		1	0	0
Number of reports		1,135	161.3	
Rate (per 1,000)				

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1995	1996	1997
Percent		69%		
Injuries		72	9	
Deaths		1	0	

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**Education**

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	39.7%	NA
Average class size		27.8	26.2	26.4
Per pupil expenditure		\$4,480	\$4,782	\$5,660
STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		6%	5%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		50%	38%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		43%	46%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			8.2	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			0.0	
Safety				
Late/no prenatal care			25 / 49	
Low birthweight infants			23 / 49	
Infant mortality			NR / 37	
Teen births			37 / 52	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			16 / 58	

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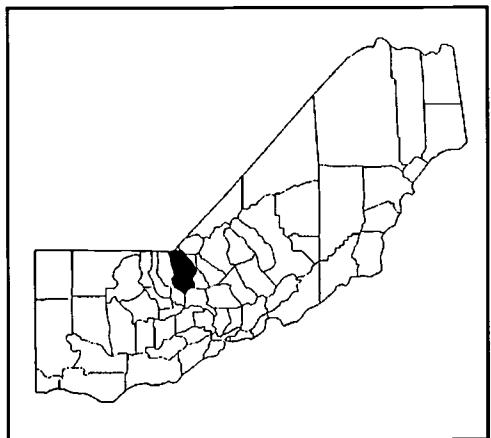
<b>Family Economics</b>	
Children living in poverty (0-17)	43 / 58
Children living in poverty (0-4)	40 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	56 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	58 / 58
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	24 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	35 / 55
Child care cost/month—infant	NA / 38
Child care cost/month—preschool	1 / 52
Child care: % spaces for infants	47 / 47
Child support: % cases w/ orders	42 / 48
Child support: \$ collected	19 / 48
<b>Health</b>	
Late/no prenatal care	25 / 49
Low birthweight infants	23 / 49
Infant mortality	NR / 37
Teen births	37 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	16 / 58
<b>Education</b>	
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	49 / 57
Average class size	34 / 58
Per pupil expenditure	13 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	56 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	48 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	27 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs	51 / 56
<b>Safety</b>	
Foster care rate (0-17)	52 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)	42 / 48
Child abuse	50 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	NR / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	NR / 44

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# El Dorado County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	151,737	38,249	11,085	100%	
African-American	706	187	42	<1%	
Asian	3,422	996	387	3%	
Latino	12,536	4,820	1,908	17%	
Native American	1,494	372	100	1%	
White	133,579	31,874	8,648	78%	

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

1,666

## County Highlights

El Dorado County ranks well in many child well-being indicators, including the percent of children living in poverty and the percent of all child support cases with an order to pay. The county also has a low rate of teen births and a higher than average percentage of new mothers with at least a high school degree. El Dorado has a high incidence of low birth-weight infants compared to other counties across California.

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1998)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		11.6%	13.5%	All	264	15.8%
		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	2	20.0%
				Asian	9	16.7%
				Latino	163	49.5%
				Native American	2	14.3%
				White	87	7.0%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	6.7%	8.7%	Cost/month – infant	\$516	NA	\$440
African-American	10.7%	11.9%	Cost/month – preschool	\$390	NA	\$407
Asian	1.3%	1.6%	Child care centers:	3%	NA	6%
Latino	6.2%	7.4%	% spaces for infants			
Native American	4.3%	10.0%				
White	7.0%	9.2%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		1,462	48.4%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	78%	85%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected m.o./case with order	\$82	\$88
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$648	67.6%		53	
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	3.0%	2.7%	3.2%	
African-American	NS	NS	20.0%	
Asian	1.6%	3.4%	5.6%	
Latino	5.4%	6.6%	5.5%	
Native American	7.1%	25.0%	7.1%	
White	2.4%	1.4%	2.3%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.6%	6.4%	6.6%	
African-American	NS	NS	20.0%	
Asian	12.7%	3.4%	5.6%	
Latino	5.4%	9.3%	8.8%	
Native American	0.0%	8.3%	7.1%	
White	5.3%	5.7%	5.8%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	3.5	6.0	1.8	
African-American	NS	NS	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	0.0	9.0	0.0	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	4.4	5.6	2.4	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	35.8	29.1	29.0	
African-American	0.0	38.5	43.5	
Asian	21.1	0.0	9.6	
Latino	117.2	94.7	101.5	
Native American	68.5	68.5	39.5	
White	27.9	22.4	21.8	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries		2	0	
Deaths		1	0	
Percent		61%		

MOTORS VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries		313	21	
Deaths		1	0	

**Education**
**CLASSROOMS**

% eligible in Head Start

Average class size

Per pupil expenditure

**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**

Students with limited

English Proficiency

% of 3rd graders reading

at or above national avg.

% of 3rd graders scoring

(math) at or above national avg.

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)**

Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)

Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)

**Safety**
**FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)**

All

African-American

Asian

Latino

Native American

White

**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**

Number of reports

Rate (per 1,000)

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

Injuries

Deaths

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

Injuries

Deaths

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**Family Economics**

Children living in poverty (0-17)

Children living in poverty (0-4)

Children receiving TANF (0-17)

Children receiving TANF (0-5)

Fair market rent as % of min. wage

Mothers w/ &lt;12 yrs education

**Health**

Child care cost/month—infant

Child care cost/month—preschool

Child care: % spaces for infants

Child support: % cases w/ orders

Mothers who initiate exclusive

breastfeeding

**Education**

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds

in Head Start

Average class size

Per pupil expenditure

Percent of 3rd graders reading at

or above nat'l average

Percent of 3rd graders scoring

(math) at or above nat'l average

Public libraries: Monthly hours open

Public libraries: Preschool programs

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**Safety**

Foster care rate (0-17)

Foster care rate (0-5)

Child abuse

Vehicle injuries &amp; deaths (0-17)

Vehicle injuries &amp; deaths (0-5)

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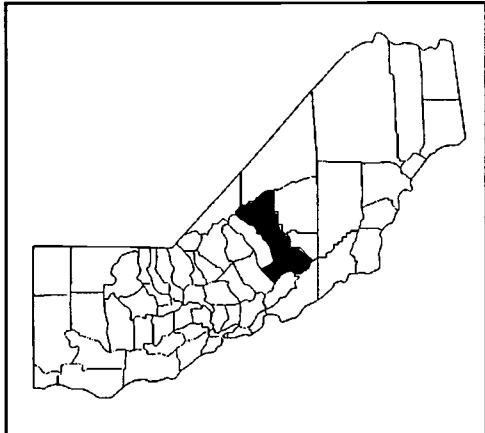
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# Fresno County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	789,319	257,270	91,066	100%
African-American	37,946	14,462	5,309	6%
Asian	80,665	35,477	11,761	13%
Latino	304,895	121,515	47,301	52%
Native American	6,858	2,025	695	1%
White	358,955	83,791	26,000	29%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

14,116

## County Highlights

With a young poverty child rate of 42% and a child poverty rate of 36%, Fresno ranks near to last and next to last respectively in one of the more critical determinants of child well-being. Fresno also ranks next to last (36th of 37 ranked counties) in infant mortality and has a high incidence of low birthweight infants, teen mothers, mothers with less than twelve years education and foster care children. In recent years, Fresno has improved its rate of prenatal care services to pregnant women and now ranks 19th among 49 ranked counties in California.

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)	
Percent	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	All	Number
All	36.3%	27.4%	42.2%	All	6,196
African-American	53.2%	53.2%	42.2%	African-American	261
Asian	55.5%	27.9%	42.2%	Asian	756
Latino	11.1%	10.4%	29.3%	Latino	4,593
Native American	10.7%	10.4%	60.3%	Native American	41
White			47.1%	White	544
CHILD CARE		CHILD CARE		CHILD SUPPORT	
				Cost/month — infant	1996 1997 1998
				Cost/month — preschool	\$546 \$407 NA \$543
				Child care centers:	NA 6% NA \$407
				% spaces for infants	5% NA 5%
CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)		CHILD SUPPORT		CHILD SUPPORT	
				Percent cases with orders	1996 1997 1998
				Money collected mo./case with order	71% \$73 78% \$75 83% \$78
FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)					
				Two bedroom	\$533
				As percent of minimum wage	55.6%

## Fresno County Rankings

### Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	3.2%	3.3%	3.7%	
African-American	4.7%	4.7%	5.7%	
Asian	1.1%	1.7%	2.3%	
Latino	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%	
Native American	3.9%	6.6%	2.2%	
White	2.7%	2.1%	2.6%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	6.7%	6.5%	6.6%	
African-American	13.5%	12.2%	12.0%	
Asian	5.9%	6.4%	5.9%	
Latino	6.4%	6.3%	6.5%	
Native American	5.9%	6.6%	3.3%	
White	6.2%	5.8%	6.1%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	8.3	7.9	8.4	
African-American	15.8	20.7	17.7	
Asian	7.5	5.3	3.5	
Latino	6.6	6.8	8.9	
Native American	9.8	0.0	0.0	
White	10.2	8.8	7.4	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	94.7	85.7	83.9	
African-American	127.3	128.6	108.0	
Asian	83.4	72.0	61.5	
Latino	141.7	125.2	128.4	
Native American	79.4	91.5	64.6	
White	40.6	38.6	37.1	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998	1999
Percent		37%		
Injuries			40	2
Deaths			11	0

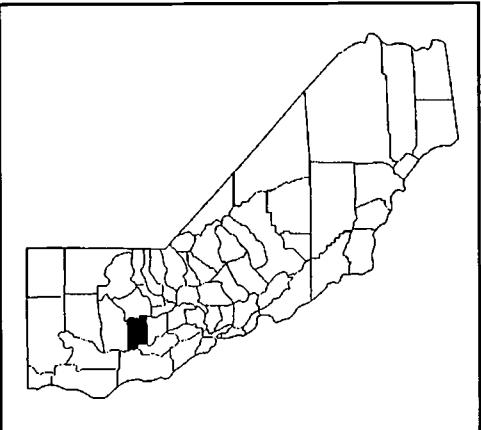
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1998	1999	2000
Injuries		1,591	279	3
Deaths		17		

EDUCATION		1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>					
% eligible in Head Start			NA	32.1%	NA
Average class size		27.9	26.1	26.2	
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,263	\$4,612	\$4,936		
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999		
Students with limited English Proficiency		27%	27%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.			42%	45%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.			46%	53%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>	1997	1998	1999		
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		3.6			
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		0.5			
<b>Safety</b>	1997	1998	1999		
Late/no prenatal care			19	49	
Low birthweight infants			45	49	
Infant mortality			36	37	
Teen births			49	52	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			44	58	
<b>EDUCATION</b>	1997	1998	1999		
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start			56	57	
Average class size			31	32	
Per pupil expenditure			28	38	
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average			46	58	
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average			29	58	
Public libraries: Monthly hours open			52	58	
Public libraries: Preschool programs			47	56	
<b>Safety</b>	1997	1998	1999		
Foster care rate (0-17)			46	57	
Foster care rate (0-5)			41	48	
Child abuse			31	38	
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)			24	55	
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)			41	44	

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# Glenn County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	27,607	8,315	2,742	100%	<1%
African-American	137	25	7		9%
Asian	1,262	679	241		39%
Latino	6,807	2,808	1,062		1%
Native American	490	146	40		51%
White	18,911	4,657	1,392		
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		427			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)		Number	Percent
Percent	26.0%	29.2%		All	African-American	178	41.7%
				Asian	NS	NS	
				Latino	18	69.2%	
				Native American	108	59.3%	
				White	NS	NS	
				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	50	23.5%	
				Cost/month — infant	NA	NA	
				Cost/month — preschool	NA	NA	
				Child care centers:	NA	NA	
				% spaces for infants	0%		
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1,152				1996	1997
		78.2%				1998	
Percent cases with orders						70%	63%
Money collected mo./						\$66	\$84
case with order						\$90	
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$474					
Two bedroom							
As percent of minimum wage		49.5%					

## County Highlights

Glenn County has the lowest rate of low birthweight births among 49 ranked counties. School children experience smaller class sizes than their counterparts in many other counties. Glenn County's young child poverty rate is nearly 30% and, compared to other counties, Glenn County experiences a high incidence of births to mothers with less than a high school degree.

Glenn County  
Rankings

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	7.2%	5.2%	3.3%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	8.1%	3.0%	3.8%	
Latino	10.7%	7.7%	4.4%	
Native American	22.2%	NS	NS	
White	4.3%	3.7%	2.3%	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	62.3	56.6	57.1	
African-American	NS	142.9	NS	
Asian	64.5	46.2	43.5	
Latino	104.0	104.2	83.9	
Native American	0.0	83.3	0.0	
White	48.5	38.8	47.6	

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

		1995	1996	1997
All	2.3	2.3	7.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	0.0	0.0	11.0	
Native American	0.0	NS	NS	
White	4.3	4.6	4.7	

		1995	1996	1997
All	62.3	56.6	57.1	
African-American	NS	142.9	NS	
Asian	64.5	46.2	43.5	
Latino	104.0	104.2	83.9	
Native American	0.0	83.3	0.0	
White	48.5	38.8	47.6	

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

		1997	49%
Percent			

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	7.2%	5.2%	3.3%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	8.1%	3.0%	3.8%	
Latino	10.7%	7.7%	4.4%	
Native American	22.2%	NS	NS	
White	4.3%	3.7%	2.3%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	4.1%	3.6%	4.7%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	10.8%	3.0%	3.8%	
Latino	1.9%	2.7%	4.9%	
Native American	0.0%	NS	NS	
White	4.3%	4.6%	4.2%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	2.3	2.3	7.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	0.0	0.0	11.0	
Native American	0.0	NS	NS	
White	4.3	4.6	4.7	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		1	1	0
Deaths		1	0	0
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>		<b>Ages 0-17</b>	<b>Ages 0-5</b>	
Injuries	68	10	0	
Deaths	3	0	0	

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	67.9%	NA
Average class size		24.2	22.7	22.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,266	\$4,702	\$5,007	

49%

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		18%	18%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		45%	42%	

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		14.2		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.6		

SAFETY		1997	1998	1999
Late/no prenatal care		29 / 49		
Child care cost/month—preschool		18 / 52		
Child care: % spaces for infants		47 / 47		
Child support: % cases w/ orders collected		26 / 48		
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding		38 / 58		

EDUCATION		1997	1998	1999
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		10 / 57		
Average class size		9 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure		24 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average		51 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average		27 / 58		
Public libraries: Monthly hours open		14 / 58		
Public libraries: Preschool programs		24 / 56		

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Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		10 / 57		
Average class size		9 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure		24 / 58		

PERCENT OF 3RD GRADERS READING AT OR ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE		1997	1998	1999
All	45%	42%		
African-American	42%	39%		
Asian	42%	40%		
Latino	42%	40%		
Native American	42%	40%		
White	42%	40%		

PERCENT OF 3RD GRADERS SCORING (MATH) AT OR ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE		1997	1998	1999
All	47%	44%		
African-American	44%	41%		
Asian	44%	41%		
Latino	44%	41%		
Native American	44%	41%		
White	44%	41%		

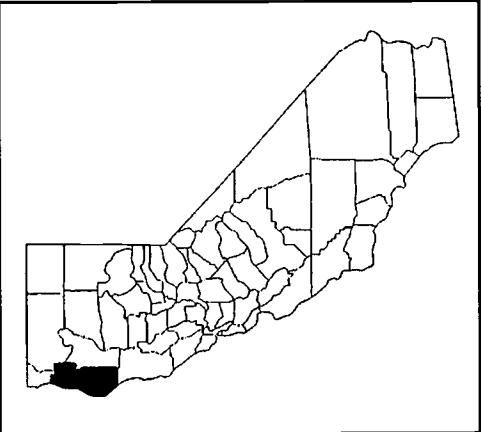
PERCENT OF 3RD GRADERS SCORING (WRITING) AT OR ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE		1997	1998	1999
All	45%	42%		
African-American	42%	39%		
Asian	42%	40%		
Latino	42%	40%		
Native American	42%	40%		
White	42%	40%		

PERCENT OF 3RD GRADERS SCORING (READING) AT OR ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE		1997	1998	1999
All	45%	42%		
African-American	42%	39%		
Asian	42%	40%		
Latino	42%	40%		
Native American	42%	40%		
White	42%	40%		

PERCENT OF 3RD GRADERS SCORING (SCIENCE) AT OR ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE		1997	1998	1999
All	45%	42%		
African-American	42%	39%		
Asian	42%	40%		
Latino	42%	40%		
Native American	42%	40%		
White	42%	40%		

PERCENT OF 3RD GRADERS SCORING (SOCIAL STUDIES) AT OR ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE		1997	1998	1999
All	45%	42%		
African-American	42%	39%		
Asian	42%	40%		
Latino	42%			

# Humboldt County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)		Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
		Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)		
All	126,862	31,500	9,417	9,417	100%
African-American	1,105	301	87	87	1%
Asian	3,349	1,279	373	373	4%
Latino	6,543	2,297	786	786	8%
Native American	7,136	2,495	825	825	9%
White	108,729	25,128	7,346	7,346	78%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

1,478

## County Highlights

Humboldt County has a higher than average percentage of children living in poverty. Expectant mothers are somewhat less likely to receive prenatal care services compared to those in other counties. Humboldt families experiences relatively few low birth-weight infants compared to families in other counties. Humboldt's average child support collection of \$135 per cases with orders is well above the state average.

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1998)	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)			
			Percent	Percent	Number	Percent
All	24.2%	27.2%	All	264	17.9%	
African-American	Percent	Percent	African-American	3	18.8%	
Asian	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	Asian	12	30.0%	
Latino			Latino	65	49.2%	
Native American			Native American	38	29.7%	
White			White	146	12.7%	
CHILD CARE		CHILD CARE				
		Cost/month – infant	Cost/month – infant	\$481	NA	\$456
		Cost/month – preschool	Cost/month – preschool	\$347	NA	\$372
		Child care centers:	Child care centers:	3%	NA	4%
		% spaces for infants	% spaces for infants			
CHILD SUPPORT		CHILD SUPPORT				
		Percent cases with orders	Percent cases with orders	76%	77%	79%
		Money collected mo./	Money collected mo./	\$130	\$146	\$129
		case with order	case with order			
FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)		FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)				
		Two bedroom	Two bedroom	\$564	1996	1997
		As percent of minimum wage	As percent of minimum wage	58.9%	1998	1998

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	7.2%	5.2%	4.8%	
African-American	7.7%	9.1%	18.8%	
Asian	6.6%	7.4%	2.5%	
Latino	4.2%	4.7%	6.1%	
Native American	14.8%	8.8%	9.4%	
White	6.7%	4.7%	3.9%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	4.9%	5.0%	4.0%	
African-American	7.7%	9.1%	0.0%	
Asian	0.0%	7.4%	0.0%	
Latino	9.3%	4.7%	5.3%	
Native American	2.8%	2.2%	2.3%	
White	4.9%	5.2%	4.2%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	8.9	4.7	4.1	
African-American	0.0	90.9	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	8.5	0.0	0.0	
Native American	14.1	7.4	7.8	
White	8.9	4.3	4.3	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	53.2	45.2	40.9	
African-American	66.7	43.5	47.6	
Asian	44.8	47.9	5.8	
Latino	80.0	98.5	65.7	
Native American	96.2	84.0	69.9	
White	46.6	36.7	37.2	

CHILD ABUSE (1996)		Number of reports	Rate (per 1,000)
All	53.2	7,043	221.6
African-American	66.7		
Asian	44.8		
Latino	80.0		
Native American	96.2		
White	46.6		

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	Percent
All	77%		

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	205	18	2
Deaths	3	0	2

## Humboldt County Rankings

### Education

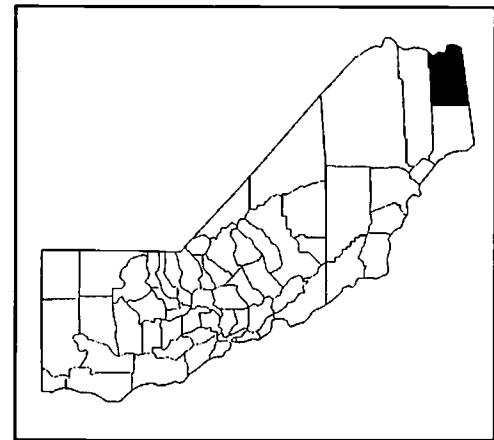
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	2	0	0
Deaths	2	0	0

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	45.1%	NA
Average class size		25.0	24.3	23.9
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,298	\$4,745	\$5,108	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		3%	3%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		54%	55%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		42%	50%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		10.1	4.4	
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)				
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)				
Safety		6 / 58		
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
All		9.8	8.9	
African-American		16.4	35.7	
Asian		0.0	0.0	
Latino		2.7	1.3	
Native American		25.7	23.7	
White		9.3	8.1	
CHILD ABUSE (1996)		7,043	221.6	
All				
African-American				
Asian				
Latino				
Native American				
White				

Family Economics		1997	1998
Children living in poverty (0-17)		36 / 58	
Children living in poverty (0-4)		37 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-17)		37 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-5)		38 / 58	
Fair market rent as % of min. wage		27 / 58	
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education		14 / 55	
Child care cost/month—infant		10 / 38	
Child care cost/month—preschool		23 / 52	
Child care: % spaces for infants		24 / 47	
Child support: % cases w/ orders		11 / 48	
Child support: \$ collected		4 / 48	
Health		37 / 49	
Late/no prenatal care			
Low birthweight infants			4 / 49
Infant mortality			18 / 37
Teen births			17 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			6 / 58

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# Imperial County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	146,409	47,320	16,513	100%	
African-American	5,358	692	216	1%	
Asian	2,280	522	152	1%	
Latino	104,437	38,966	14,261	86%	
Native American	1,404	352	16	<1%	
White	32,930	6,788	1,868	11%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		2,381			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		33.4%	49.5%	All	810	34.0%
		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	9	33.3%
				Asian	6	18.2%
				Latino	757	37.1%
				Native American	NS	NS
				White	37	13.5%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All		24.2%	24.7%	Cost/month—infant	\$377	NA
African-American		39.6%	44.9%	Cost/month—preschool	\$321	NA
Asian		7.9%	12.5%	Child care centers:		
Latino		25.7%	25.1%	% spaces for infants		
Native American		39.5%	275.0%			
White		14.2%	18.6%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>				<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants		5,034	61.3%	Percent cases with orders	73%	81%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$82	\$118
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom		\$523	54.6%			
As percent of minimum wage						

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	7.9%	8.4%	7.9%	
African-American	8.7%	7.9%	7.4%	
Asian	4.3%	5.0%	0.0%	
Latino	8.0%	8.8%	8.3%	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	7.5%	5.9%	4.7%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.0%	4.4%	4.8%	
African-American	8.7%	2.6%	11.1%	
Asian	13.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Latino	4.9%	4.6%	4.8%	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	4.8%	3.1%	5.1%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	4.9	4.4	2.5	
African-American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	4.9	4.7	2.9	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	6.0	3.1	0.0	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	63.5	63.4	60.5	
African-American	85.1	80.0	68.0	
Asian	15.6	29.4	12.8	
Latino	71.2	70.9	65.2	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	30.1	31.2	40.9	

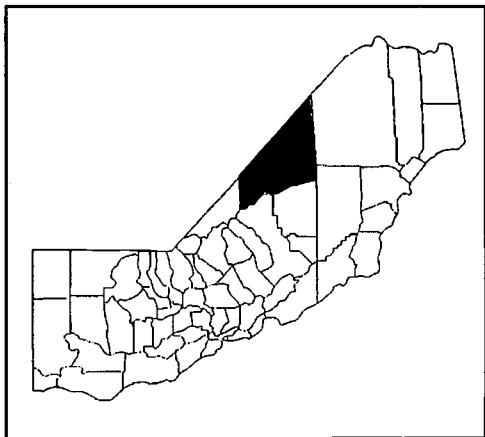
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries		3	1	
Deaths		2	0	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	8	233	37	1
Deaths				

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	38.2%	NA
Average class size		27.3	26.1	25.6
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,213	\$4,498	\$4,835	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		48%	46%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		36%	47%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		42%	52%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	8.4	
		Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	0.4	
Safety				
All				58 / 58
African-American				
Asian				
Latino				
Native American				
White				
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
All		5.6	4.1	
African-American		32.5	52.4	
Asian		0.0	0.0	
Latino		3.9	2.8	
Native American		53.4	250.0	
White		10.1	7.9	
CHILD ABUSE (1996)		Number of reports	2,812	60.9
All		Rate (per 1,000)		
African-American				
Asian				
Latino				
Native American				
White				
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries		3	1	
Deaths		2	0	
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries	8	233	37	1
Deaths				

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# Inyo County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	18,295	4,372	1,328	3	100%
African-American	76	15			<1%
Asian	206	61	27		2%
Latino	1,941	794	341		26%
Native American	1,778	574	186		14%
White	14,294	2,928	771		58%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		190			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		18.9%	23.5%	All	53	27.9%
		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
				Asian	NS	NS
				Latino	34	85.0%
				Native American	4	13.8%
				White	14	11.9%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All		13.6%	19.1%	Cost/month - infant	\$624	NA
African-American		6.7%	NS	Cost/month - pre-school	\$386	NA
Asian		8.2%	7.4%	Child care centers:	NA	\$405
Latino		12.1%	16.4%	% spaces for infants	NA	0%
Native American		25.1%	31.2%			
White		12.0%	17.6%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>						
Number of participants		514				
Percent of all eligible		71.0%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Two bedroom		\$540		Percent cases with orders	81%	NR
As percent of minimum wage		56.3%		Money collected mo./case with order	\$89	NR

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	9.5%	9.0%	5.8%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	10.5%	5.9%	7.5%	
Native American	18.2%	20.0%	13.8%	
White	8.0%	7.4%	3.4%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	6.6%	7.7%	5.8%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	3.9%	2.0%	0.0%	
Native American	9.1%	20.0%	0.0%	
White	7.2%	7.4%	8.5%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	4.1	9.0	10.5	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0	19.6	0.0	
Native American	0.0	33.3	0.0	
White	7.2	0.0	16.9	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	49.5	57.9	52.4	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	93.3	142.9	94.1	
Native American	42.6	68.2	75.0	
White	45.4	43.8	39.7	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998	1999
Percent	63%			
Injuries		0	0	0
Deaths		0	0	0

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries	36	0	0	
Deaths	2	0	0	

**Education**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	9.5%	9.0%	5.8%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	10.5%	5.9%	7.5%	
Native American	18.2%	20.0%	13.8%	
White	8.0%	7.4%	3.4%	

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		6%	6%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		50%	50%	54%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		47%	60%	

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			51.6	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			0.3	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			21 / 58	

**Safety**

FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
All		5.0	3.0	
African-American		66.7	NS	
Asian		0.0	0.0	
Latino		1.3	0.0	
Native American		13.8	0.0	
White		4.0	3.8	

CHILD ABUSE (1996)		1997	1998	1999
Number of reports		498	112.9	
Rate (per 1,000)				

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries		0	0	
Deaths		0	0	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	54.1%	NA
Average class size		22.8	20.7	19.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$5,423	\$5,654	\$6,097	

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		6%	6%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		50%	50%	54%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		47%	60%	

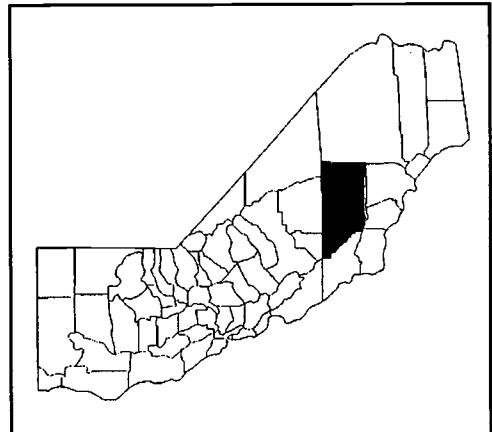
**Health**

EDUCATION		1997	1998	1999
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		19 / 57		
Average class size		5 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure		4 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average		27 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average		15 / 58		
Public libraries: Monthly hours open		5 / 58		
Public libraries: Preschool programs		50 / 56		

SCHOOL		1997	1998	1999
Foster care rate (0-17)		8 / 57		
Foster care rate (0-5)		NR / 48		
Child abuse		36 / 58		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)		46 / 55		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)		NR / 44		

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# Kern County



## Demographics

<u>ETHNICITIES (1998)</u>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	648,157	207,346	72,688	100%
African-American	38,115	12,840	4,527	6%
Asian	20,774	6,332	2,329	3%
Latino	207,133	87,923	35,397	49%
Native American	6,808	1,558	452	1%
White	375,327	98,693	29,983	41%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

11,271

## County Highlights

Over one third of young children under age five live in families with incomes below the poverty level in Kern County, one of the fastest growing counties in the California. Kern has a relatively high incidence of teens giving birth. Although Kern ranks below the state average in its rate of expectant mothers accessing prenatal care and its infant mortality rate, it has improved in both areas in recent years. Kern is able to secure child support orders for families who need them at a rate higher than the state average.

## Family Economics

<u>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</u>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<u>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</u>	Number	Percent
Percent	27.8%	33.2%	All	3,847	34.1%
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</u>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	126	18.6%
All	21.2%	24.9%	Asian	64	18.0%
African-American	50.5%	59.6%	Latino	2,990	51.8%
Asian	13.2%	10.4%	Native American	12	16.2%
Latino	24.6%	26.3%	White	652	15.0%
<u>CHILD CARE</u>	Cost/month – infant	Cost/month – preschool	Child care centers:		
			% spaces for infants		
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</u>	1996	1997	1998		
Number of participants	\$585	\$425	\$461		
Percent of all eligible	43,781	42,253	33,333		
	116.0%	114.0%	105.0%		
<u>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</u>	Two bedroom	As percent of minimum wage			
	\$499	52.1%			

Percent cases with orders  
Money collected mo./  
case with order

**CHILD SUPPORT**

1996	1997	1998
66%	78%	84%
\$57	\$79	\$71

## Health

## Education

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997	CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998	
All	7.0%	5.1%	4.3%		% eligible in Head Start	NA	35.6%	NA		
African-American	6.4%	5.0%	5.5%		Average class size	28.0	26.1%	25.8%		
Asian	6.0%	5.0%	2.8%		Per pupil expenditure	\$4,212	\$4,598	\$4,914		
Latino	8.1%	6.2%	4.9%							
Native American	4.8%	0.0%	9.5%							
White	6.0%	3.8%	3.3%							
PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997	STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999	
All	6.6%	6.6%	6.0%		Students with limited English Proficiency	18%	19%	NA		
African-American	12.3%	13.8%	12.0%		% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		37%	44%		
Asian	6.0%	7.3%	7.6%		% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		40%	50%		
Latino	6.0%	6.1%	5.4%							
Native American	9.5%	11.7%	4.1%							
White	6.5%	6.0%	5.6%							
INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997	PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		1997	1998	1999	
All	10.9	9.8	6.7		Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		5.5			
African-American	21.2	13.2	8.9		Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.0			
Asian	0.0	5.2	0.0							
Latino	12.5	9.1	6.6							
Native American	11.9	16.7	0.0							
White	8.3	10.5	7.3							
TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997	FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		1997	1998	1999	
All	97.6	85.8	81.5		All	9.7	8.7			
African-American	124.7	112.0	114.3		African-American	28.7	21.1			
Asian	31.6	33.2	31.0		Asian	0.5	0.0			
Latino	165.1	145.6	134.6		Latino	7.1	5.4			
Native American	80.7	40.2	84.1		Native American	6.5	9.3			
White	56.1	49.1	46.1		White	10.2	11.1			
MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	CHILD ABUSE (1996)		Number of reports		1997	1998	1999	
All					Rate (per 1,000)		13,491			
African-American							67.4			
Asian										
Latino										
Native American										
White										
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5		1997	1998	1999	
Injuries							29			
Deaths							8			
							0			
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5		1997	1998	1999	
Injuries							29			
Deaths							14			
							198			
							2			
Percent		28%								

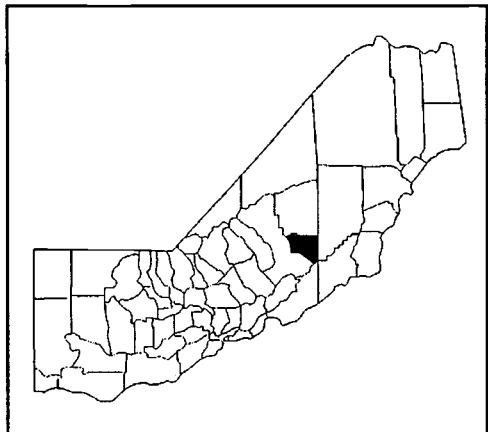
## Kern County Rankings

Family Economics		Health	
Children living in poverty (0-17)	49 / 58	Late/no prenatal care	33 / 49
Children living in poverty (0-4)	52 / 58	Low birthweight infants	41 / 49
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	43 / 58	Infant mortality	37 / 37
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	42 / 58	Teen births	50 / 52
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	3 / 58	Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	53 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	43 / 55		
Child care cost/month—infant	12 / 38		
Child care cost/month—preschool	15 / 52		
Child care: % spaces for infants	18 / 47		
Child support: % cases w/ orders	15 / 48		
Child support: \$ collected	44 / 48		
Health		Education	
Late/no prenatal care	33 / 49	Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	54 / 57
Low birthweight infants	41 / 49	Average class size	28 / 58
Infant mortality	37 / 37	Per pupil expenditure	35 / 58
Teen births	50 / 52	Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	48 / 58
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	53 / 58	Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	37 / 58
		Public libraries: Monthly hours open	40 / 58
		Public libraries: Preschool programs	35 / 56

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# Kings County



## Demographics

<u>ETHNICITIES</u> (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	119,847	37,537	13,444	100%
African-American	9,403	2,128	705	5%
Asian	4,637	1,632	594	4%
Latino	44,978	17,147	6,749	50%
Native American	1,036	328	109	1%
White	59,793	16,302	5,287	39%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

2,084

## County Highlights

Kings County has a high percentage of children living in families with incomes below the poverty level. Kings County third graders rank below the state average in reading and math proficiency. Kings County has a relatively high incidence of teens giving birth. Kings County has one of the lower child care costs in the state and is able to secure child support orders for families who need them at a higher rate than the state average.

## Family Economics

<u>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY</u> (1995)		<u>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION</u> (1997)		Number	Percent
Percent	28.6%	30.6%	All	765	36.7%
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF</u> (1998)	Percent	Percent	African-American	25	21.0%
	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	Asian	18	18.6%
All	16.6%	19.2%	Latino	612	55.6%
African-American	34.6%	43.3%	Native American	6	42.9%
Asian	15.0%	13.3%	White	102	13.6%
<u>CHILD CARE</u>		Cost/month – infant	Cost/month – preschool	Child care centers:	
				% spaces for infants	
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE</u> (1997) – Ages 0-4		1996	1997	1998	
Number of participants	3,088				
Percent of all eligible	49.6%				
<u>FAIR MARKET RENT</u> (1998)		Percent cases with orders	Percent cases with orders	Percent cases with orders	
Two bedroom	\$506	\$282	NA	\$297	
As percent of minimum wage	52.8%	NA	NA	NA	1%
<u>CHILD SUPPORT</u>		1996	1997	1998	
Percent cases with orders	74%	77%	81%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$72	\$82	\$89		

# Kings County Rankings

## Education

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	5.4%	3.9%	2.8%	
African-American	7.8%	4.5%	2.5%	
Asian	5.4%	2.2%	4.1%	
Latino	6.6%	5.0%	3.4%	
Native American	12.5%	13.0%	14.3%	
White	3.5%	2.3%	1.7%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.6%	6.3%	5.9%	
African-American	9.6%	16.5%	13.4%	
Asian	6.5%	4.3%	7.2%	
Latino	5.6%	5.5%	5.6%	
Native American	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%	
White	5.0%	5.9%	4.9%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	6.1	11.5	5.8	
African-American	26.1	37.6	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	3.8	11.1	5.5	
Native American	0.0	0.0	71.4	
White	7.0	9.6	6.7	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	96.5	91.1	87.1	
African-American	123.9	108.9	119.2	
Asian	27.3	47.6	41.0	
Latino	139.2	139.7	137.6	
Native American	96.8	111.1	52.6	
White	60.5	48.6	42.9	

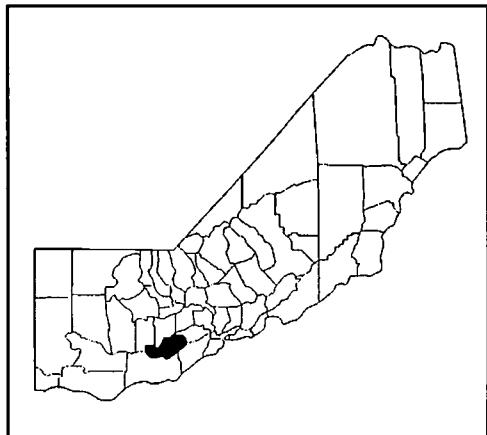
MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998	1999
Percent	21%			
Injuries		1	1	0
Deaths		1	0	0

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		1	1	0
Deaths		1	0	0
Percent	21%			

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		1	1	0
Deaths		1	0	0
Percent	21%			

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	40.5%	NA
Average class size		27.2	25.9	25.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,221	\$4,556	\$4,944	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		16%	16%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		38%	42%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		36%	45%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		7.5		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		0.0		
Safety		1997	1998	1999
Late/no prenatal care		22 / 49		
Low birthweight infants		31 / 49		
Infant mortality		34 / 37		
Teen births		51 / 52		
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding		57 / 58		
Education		1997	1998	1999
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		46 / 57		
Average class size		23 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure		36 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average		51 / 58		
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		1997	1998	1999
All		5.9	6.5	
African-American		29.5	42.5	
Asian		3.1	1.7	
Latino		4.4	3.9	
Native American		12.0	28.6	
White		4.6	5.1	
CHILD ABUSE (1996)		1997	1998	1999
Number of reports		4,029		
Rate (per 1,000)		111.3		
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		1	1	0
Deaths		1	0	0
Percent	21%			
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# Lake County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	56,685	13,532	3,995	100%
African-American	1,319	342	115	3%
Asian	478	126	44	1%
Latino	4,679	1,794	636	16%
Native American	1,132	385	137	3%
White	49,077	10,885	3,063	77%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

565

## County Highlights

Approximately one third (30.1%) of children under age five live in families under the poverty level in Lake County. Lake ranks last of 49 ranked counties in the percentage of mothers receiving prenatal care services. Lake's families are able to secure infant spaces in licensed child care centers at a rate higher than the state average.

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)		Number	Percent
Percent	29.1%	Percent	30.1%	140	24.8%
CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	Percent Ages 0-4	All	
All	28.5%	34.6%	30.1%	African-American	1
African-American	49.1%	57.4%	30.1%	Asian	1
Asian	53.2%	54.5%	30.1%	Latino	45
Latino	15.9%	18.1%	30.1%	Native American	14
Native American	29.9%	35.8%	30.1%	White	79
CHILD CARE	1996	1997	1998		
Cost/month - infant	\$464	NA	\$524		
Cost/month - preschool	\$347	NA	\$418		
Child care centers:	11%	NA	6%		
% spaces for infants					
CHILD SUPPORT	1996	1997	1998		
Percent cases with orders	51%	NR	NR		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$83	NR	NR		
FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)					
Two bedroom	\$575				
As percent of minimum wage	60.0%				

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	11.0%	8.4%	7.1%	
African-American	10.5%	33.3%	18.2%	
Asian	44.4%	0.0%	0.0%	
Latino	8.2%	9.9%	4.6%	
Native American	21.2%	24.0%	14.3%	
White	10.3%	6.5%	7.0%	

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

		1995	1996	1997
All	6.5%	4.8%	5.7%	
African-American	10.5%	0.0%	0.0%	
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Latino	4.5%	5.0%	4.6%	
Native American	15.2%	0.0%	0.0%	
White	6.3%	5.3%	6.6%	

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

		1995	1996	1997
All	3.0	6.9	10.6	
African-American	0.0	133.3	90.9	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	0.0	0.0	11.5	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	4.0	4.6	9.4	

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

		1995	1996	1997
All	61.5	64.2	53.1	
African-American	108.7	122.4	88.9	
Asian	52.6	52.6	0.0	
Latino	109.9	122.3	83.8	
Native American	150.0	190.5	162.8	
White	51.7	51.8	46.0	

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

		1997
Percent	63%	

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**Education**
**CLASSROOMS**

		1996	1997	1998
All	% eligible in Head Start		NA	43.8%
African-American	Average class size	24.6	23.8	24.1
Asian	Per pupil expenditure	\$4,291	\$4,778	\$5,143
Latino				
Native American				
White				

**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**

		1997	1998	1999
All	Students with limited English Proficiency	4%	4%	NA
African-American	% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		38%	43%
Asian	% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		37%	45%
Latino				
Native American				
White				

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)**

		1998	1999
All	Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		11.1
African-American	Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.3
Asian			
Latino			
Native American			
White			

**Safety**

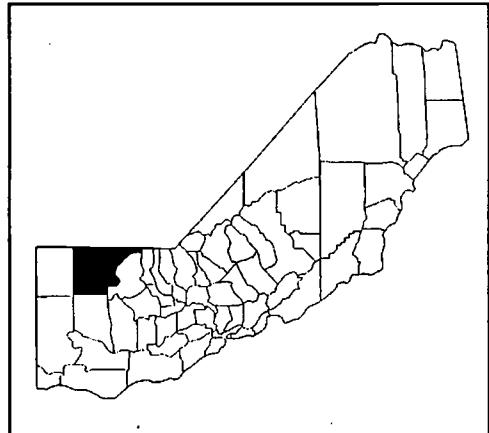
		1997	1998	1999
All	FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)			
African-American	All	10.6	8.4	
Asian	African-American	57.3	80.0	
Latino	Asian	0.0	0.0	
Native American	Latino	8.6	3.2	
White	White	34.4	29.2	

		1996	1997
All	CHILD ABUSE (1996)		
African-American	Number of reports		3,059
Asian	Rate (per 1,000)		229.2
Latino			
Native American			
White			

		1997	1998
All	GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		
African-American	Ages 0-17	1	
Asian	Deaths	0	0
Latino			
Native American			
White			

		1997	1998
All	MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		
African-American	Ages 0-17	160	15
Asian	Deaths	0	0
Latino			
Native American			
White			

# Lassen County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	34,477	7,193	2,064	100%
African-American	3,207	74	25	1%
Asian	337	69	24	1%
Latino	5,168	907	322	16%
Native American	876	257	77	4%
White	24,889	5,886	1,616	78%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		328		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	17.5%	22.4%	All	50	15.2%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	19.6%	27.7%	Asian	NS	NS
African-American	31.1%	48.0%	Latino	12	30.8%
Asian	8.7%	8.3%	Native American	6	37.5%
Latino	13%	16.5%	White	32	12.1%
Native American	43.2%	57.1%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>		
White	19.5%	28.5%	Cost/month — infant	NA	NA
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>			Cost/month — preschool	NA	NA
Number of participants	563	64.0%	Child care centers: % spaces for infants	NA	0%
Percent of all eligible					
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$485				
As percent of minimum wage	50.6%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997	1998		
Percent cases with orders	74%	72%	55%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$93	\$97	\$118		

## County Highlights

Lassen has a relatively high incidence of child abuse reports and has a high foster care rate compared to other counties in the state. Lassen's children also experience a higher than average incidence of vehicle injuries or deaths. Lassen has a better than average percentage of births to mothers with at least a high school education. Lassen is able to secure more child support orders and collect more child support per cases with orders than many other counties.

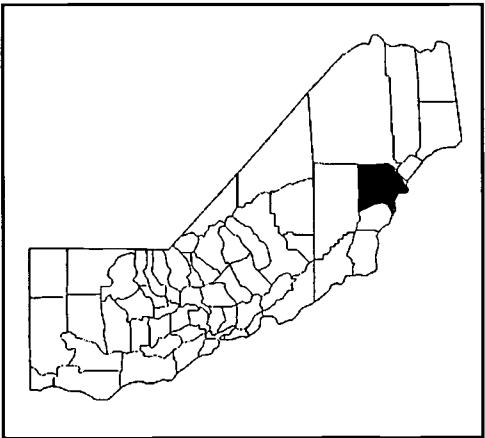
**Education**
**Lassen County  
Rankings**

		LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997	CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
All	7.7%	3.7%	3.4%				% eligible in Head Start	NA	55.6%	NA	
African-American	0.0%	NS	NS				Average class size	23.6	22.5	23.3	
Asian	NS	NS	NS				Per pupil expenditure	\$4,551	\$4,835	\$5,303	
Latino	8.8%	3.0%	5.1%								
Native American	18.8%	0.0%	12.5%								
White	6.8%	3.7%	2.7%								
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>		1995	1996	1997							
All	6.7%	2.4%	4.9%								
African-American	25.0%	NS	NS								
Asian	NS	NS	NS								
Latino	2.9%	3.0%	7.7%								
Native American	12.5%	9.1%	12.5%								
White	6.4%	2.0%	3.8%								
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>		1995	1996	1997							
All	10.1	3.4	3.0								
African-American	0.0	NS	NS								
Asian	NS	NS	NS								
Latino	0.0	30.3	0.0								
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0								
White	12.7	0.0	3.8								
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>		1995	1996	1997							
All	68.5	49.1	37.8								
African-American	250.0	0.0	0.0								
Asian	0.0	83.3	0.0								
Latino	67.6	48.8	62.5								
Native American	105.3	85.7	0.0								
White	64.1	48.0	37.6								
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>		1997									
Percent	68%										
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>											
Injuries		0									
Deaths		0									
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>											
Injuries		79									
Deaths		1									

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# Los Angeles County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	9,623,420	2,803,645	1,042,044	100%	
African-American	947,900	277,669	92,937	9%	
Asian	1,181,258	302,330	102,105	10%	
Latino	4,238,395	1,615,545	652,944	63%	
Native American	27,683	5801	1794	<1%	
White	3,228,184	602,300	192,264	18%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		162,036			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	33.7%	39.6%		All	63,536	39.2%
				African-American	2,666	18.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	Asian	1,710	11.0%
All	17.9%	18.6%		Latino	56,677	56.5%
African-American	43.4%	49.1%		Native American	75	24.7%
Asian	11.7%	8.7%		White	2,392	7.7%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
				Cost/month—infant	\$550	NA
				Cost/month—preschool	\$386	NA
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>				Child care centers:	\$462	
Number of participants	385,940			% spaces for infants	NA	4%
Percent of all eligible	80.2%					
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom	\$737					
As percent of minimum wage	76.9%					
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>						
Percent cases with orders	35%					
Money collected mo./case with order	\$71				\$63	\$75

**Education**
**Los Angeles County  
Rankings**

<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%	
African-American	4.0%	3.4%	3.8%	
Asian	2.3%	2.0%	2.2%	
Latino	4.1%	3.4%	3.3%	
Native American	6.5%	3.2%	3.9%	
White	2.2%	1.7%	1.7%	

<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	77.3	70.3	64.1	
African-American	82.3	73.0	69.3	
Asian	13.7	12.3	11.9	
Latino	116.2	106.3	96.2	
Native American	70.5	52.8	58.2	
White	26.6	23.8	20.4	

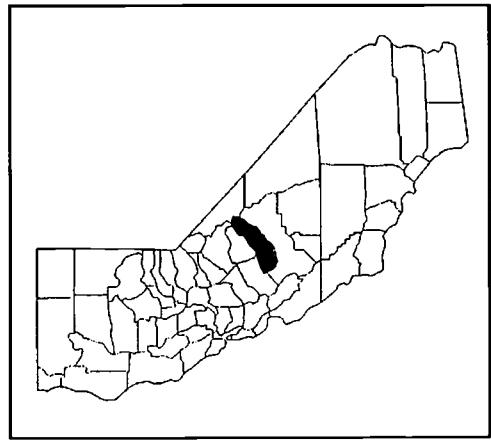
**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	6.7	5.9	5.9

**Safety**
**FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)**
**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**
**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**
**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**
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**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**
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**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**
**INFANT MORTALITY**

	1995	1996	1997	1998	
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>					
% eligible in Head Start					
Average class size		29.9	28.0	27.5	
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,428	\$4,626	\$4,996		
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>					
Students with limited English Proficiency					
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.					
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.					
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>					
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)				4.0	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)				0.8	
<b>Health</b>					
Late/no prenatal care				14 / 49	
Low birthweight infants				42 / 49	
Infant mortality				21 / 37	
Teen births				42 / 52	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				53 / 58	
<b>Education</b>					
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start					45 / 57
Average class size					54 / 58
Per pupil expenditure					22 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average					39 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average					31 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open					48 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs					38 / 56
<b>Safety</b>					
All	6.7	5.9	5.9		
African-American	15.2	13.2	12.7		
Asian	4.6	4.6	3.7		
Latino	5.8	5.2	5.4		
Native American	5.9	6.4	0.0		
White	6.7	5.6	5.4		
All				18.7	16.7
African-American				78.7	69.9
Asian				2.0	1.9
Latino				10.5	9.3
Native American				36.3	39.2
White				19.9	22.1
Number of reports					191,921
Rate (per 1,000)					71.2
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>					
Injuries				415	20
Deaths				145	6
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>					
Injuries	12,745	74	17		
Deaths					
<b>MOTORS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>					
Percent	28%				
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>					
All	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%		
African-American	4.0%	3.4%	3.8%		
Asian	2.3%	2.0%	2.2%		
Latino	4.1%	3.4%	3.3%		
Native American	6.5%	3.2%	3.9%		
White	2.2%	1.7%	1.7%		
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>					
Students with limited English Proficiency					
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<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>					
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)				4.0	
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<b>INFANT MORTALITY</b>					
All	6.7	5.9	5.9		
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African-American				78.7	69.9
Asian				2.0	1.9
Latino				10.5	9.3
Native American				36.3	39.2
White				19.9	22.1
All				18.7	16.7
African-American				78.7	69.9
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White				19.9	22.1
All				18.7	16.7
African-American				78.7	69.9
Asian				2.0	1.9
Latino				10.5	9.3
Native American				36.3	39.2
White				19.9	22.1
All				18.7	16.7</

# Madera County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	117,358	34,297	12,341	100%	
African-American	5,010	893	303	2%	
Asian	1,568	463	162	1%	
Latino	44,174	18,014	7,437	60%	
Native American	1,263	314	124	1%	
White	65,343	14,613	4,315	35%	

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

1,987

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>		Number	Percent
Percent	27.6%	33.2%		All	936	47.1%	
				African-American	14	25.5%	
				Asian	2	14.3%	
				Latino	803	63.3%	
				Native American	8	38.1%	
				White	109	17.4%	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>		1996	1997
All	22.5%	28.3%		Cost/month — infant	NA	NA	\$319
African-American	53.6%	62.7%		Cost/month — preschool	\$347	NA	\$300
Asian	15.6%	17.3%		Child care centers:	NA	NA	4%
Latino	28.2%	33.4%		% spaces for infants			
Native American	20.7%	20.2%					
White	13.9%	17.9%					
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		4,431	64.6%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	68%	70%	73%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$90	\$99	\$98
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$533	55.6%				
Two bedroom							
As percent of minimum wage							

## County Highlights

One third of Madera's children under age five live in families with incomes below the poverty level. Madera also has a high incidence of teen births compared to other California counties. Madera has one of the lower foster care rates in California. Madera also has among the lowest child care costs in the state.

## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	6.5%	4.1%	4.3%	
African-American	9.8%	2.6%	3.6%	
Asian	5.7%	0.0%	0.0%	
Latino	7.5%	5.0%	4.3%	
Native American	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	
White	3.8%	2.8%	4.5%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.8%	5.4%	4.7%	
African-American	9.8%	18.4%	9.1%	
Asian	5.7%	11.1%	7.1%	
Latino	5.3%	5.9%	4.5%	
Native American	10.7%	0.0%	9.5%	
White	6.1%	4.0%	4.5%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	7.0	6.5	4.0	
African-American	0.0	26.3	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	6.5	8.1	4.7	
Native American	35.7	0.0	0.0	
White	7.7	2.8	3.2	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	92.3	83.7	85.8	
African-American	102.6	59.2	79.1	
Asian	16.7	16.1	0.0	
Latino	151.6	145.7	134.5	
Native American	172.4	19.6	113.6	
White	43.7	39.7	48.7	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998
Percent	34%		

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	1	2	1
Deaths	2	1	1

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	313	53	5
Deaths	7		

## Education

### CLASSROOMS

		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	36.6%	NA
Average class size		28.5	26.9	26.7
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,143	\$4,572	\$4,880	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		25%	26%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		37%	44%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		40%	48%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>		1997	1998	1999
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		5.8		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		2.2		
<b>Safety</b>		1997	1998	1999
Late/no prenatal care			27 / 49	
Low birthweight infants			16 / 49	
Infant mortality			17 / 37	
Teen births			48 / 52	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			48 / 58	

## Health

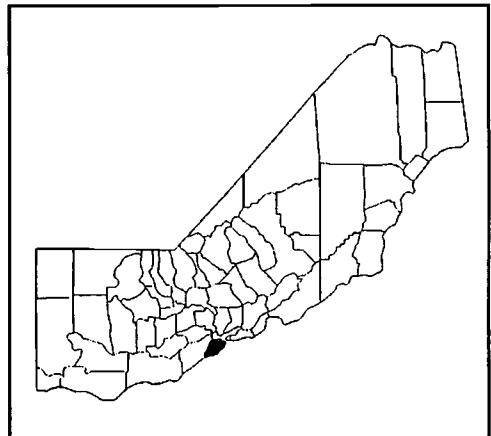
### EDUCATION

		1996	1997	1998
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		53 / 57		
Average class size		41 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure		39 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average		48 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average		42 / 58		
Public libraries: Monthly hours open		38 / 58		
Public libraries: Preschool programs		21 / 56		
<b>Safety</b>		1997	1998	1999
Foster care rate (0-17)		12 / 57		
Foster care rate (0-5)		8 / 48		
Child abuse		38 / 58		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)		45 / 55		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)		42 / 44		

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# Marin County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	245,443	50,428	16,784	100%	
African-American	8,319	1,635	484	3%	
Asian	12,035	2,993	1,067	6%	
Latino	27,899	8,429	3,731	22%	
Native American	611	110	31	<1%	
White	196,579	37,261	11,471	68%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		2,651			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent		8.6%	9.9%	All	389
		Percent	Percent	African-American	10
		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	Asian	7
				Latino	327
				Native American	0
				White	42
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	
All	3.6%	4.1%		Cost/month – infant	1996
African-American	22.4%	30.8%		Cost/month – preschool	1997
Asian	7.7%	5.2%		Child care centers:	1998
Latino	4.7%	5.5%		% spaces for infants	
Native American	11.8%	12.9%			
White	2.1%	2.3%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		1,414	40.2%		
Number of participants					
Percent of all eligible					
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$987				
As percent of minimum wage	103.0%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998	
Percent cases with orders		86%	84%	84%	
Money collected mo./case with order		\$149	\$169	\$188	

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LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	2.8%	2.8%	2.1%	
African-American	0.0%	3.1%	12.3%	
Asian	2.9%	2.0%	2.9%	
Latino	8.0%	8.1%	4.5%	
Native American	NS	NS	0.0%	
White	1.5%	1.3%	1.1%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.1%	5.6%	5.4%	
African-American	13.9%	6.2%	10.5%	
Asian	4.1%	6.1%	6.4%	
Latino	6.1%	5.1%	5.2%	
Native American	NS	NS	0.0%	
White	4.6%	5.8%	5.2%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	2.7	3.4	4.5	
African-American	13.9	0.0	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	5.8	
Latino	4.1	5.5	7.5	
Native American	NS	NS	0.0	
White	2.1	3.2	3.7	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	16.9	21.1	19.0	
African-American	45.7	57.6	35.2	
Asian	11.5	2.8	8.3	
Latino	106.3	133.8	107.5	
Native American	0.0	55.6	0.0	
White	5.4	7.5	6.3	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5	
Injuries	0	0	0	0	0
Deaths	0	0	0	0	0
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Percent	88%				

## Education

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start	NA	56.8%	NA	
Average class size	26.1	24.7	24.8	
Per pupil expenditure	\$5,338	\$5,746	\$5,991	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	10%	10%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	78%	81%		
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	73%	78%		
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		17.8	17.8	
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	4.5	4.5		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)				
Safety				
All				
African-American				
Asian				
Latino				
Native American				
White				

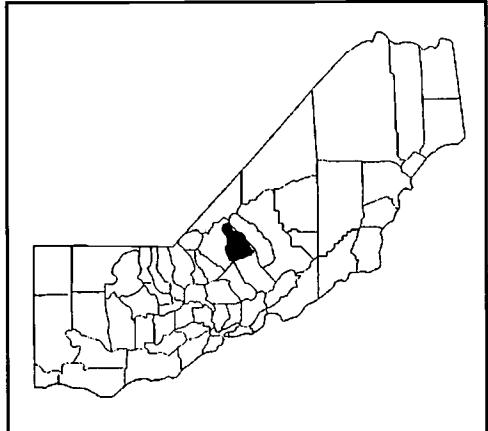
## Marin County Rankings

Family Economics		1995	1996	1997	1998
Children living in poverty (0-17)	1 / 58				
Children living in poverty (0-4)	2 / 58				
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	1 / 58				
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	1 / 58				
Children receiving WIC assistance	57 / 58				
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	55 / 58				
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	2 / 55				
Child care cost/month—infant	34 / 38				
Child care cost/month—preschool	51 / 52				
Child care: % spaces for infants	4 / 47				
Child support: % cases w/ orders	3 / 48				
Child support: \$ collected	1 / 48				
Health					
Late/no prenatal care	6 / 49				
Low birthweight infants	18 / 49				
Infant mortality	1 / 37				
Teen births	1 / 52				
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	1 / 58				
Education					
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	15 / 57				
Average class size	20 / 58				
Per pupil expenditure	5 / 58				
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	1 / 58				
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	1 / 58				
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	12 / 58				
Public libraries: Preschool programs	9 / 56				
Safety					
All					
African-American					
Asian					
Latino					
Native American					
White					

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# Mariposa County

## Demographics



<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity 100%
All	16,093	3,486	994	7	1%
African-American	127	14	7	1%	1%
Asian	128	25	10	10%	1%
Latino	880	277	97	3%	3%
Native American	557	122	27	86%	86%
White	14,401	3,048	853		
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		135			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent		19.0%	22.5%	All	Number
				African-American	16
				Asian	NS
				Latino	NS
				Native American	1
				White	10.0%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	Percent
All	16.4%	20.8%		Cost/month – infant	61%
African-American	42.9%	14.3%		Cost/month – preschool	\$113
Asian	28.0%	20.0%		Child care centers:	NR
Latino	6.5%	7.2%		% spaces for infants	NR
Native American	18.9%	29.6%		NA	NR
White	16.9%	22.2%		NA	NR
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>				NA	\$260
Number of participants	231			NA	NA
Percent of all eligible	59.8%			NA	NA
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>				NA	NA
Two bedroom	\$531			NA	NA
As percent of minimum wage	55.4%			0%	0%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>				1996	1997
Percent cases with orders				61%	NR
Money collected mo./case with order				\$113	NR

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# Marietta County Rankings

## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.3%	3.2%	4.4%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	27.3%	0.0%	0.0%	
Native American	0.0%	NS	28.6%	
White	3.9%	3.9%	3.4%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	7.9%	3.2%	7.4%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%	
Native American	11.1%	NS	28.6%	
White	7.9%	2.4%	6.8%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	6.6	0.0	0.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Native American	0.0	NS	0.0	
White	7.9	0.0	0.0	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	43.8	22.4	38.5	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	100.0	0.0	NS	
Latino	129.0	27.8	52.6	
Native American	45.5	0.0	93.8	
White	36.0	23.9	33.6	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING				
	1997	1998	1999	
Percent	51%			

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)				
	1997	1998	1999	
Injuries	0	0	0	
Deaths	0	0	0	

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NA	NR	NS		

## Education

CLASSROOMS				
	1996	1997	1998	
% eligible in Head Start	NA	100.0%	NA	
Average class size	24.6	21.9	23.4	
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,779	\$4,959	\$5,650	

STUDENT PROFICIENCY				
	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	0%	0%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	58%	57%		
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	48%	50%		

## Health

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)				
	1998	1999	2000	
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		38.1		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		7.2		

## Safety

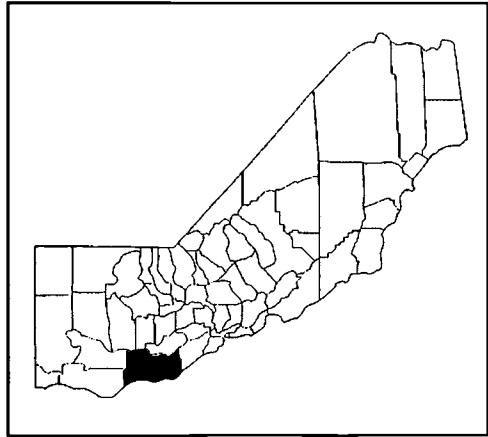
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)				
	1997	1998	1999	
All	7.1	7.9		
African-American	0.0	0.0		
Asian	0.0	0.0		
Latino	3.6	0.0		
Native American	15.6	0.0		
White	7.2	9.1		

CHILD ABUSE (1996)				
	1996	1997	1998	
Number of reports		547		
Rate (per 1,000)		153.6		

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)				
	1997	1998	1999	
Injuries	0	0	0	
Deaths	0	0	0	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)				
	1997	1998	1999	
Injuries	0	0	0	
Deaths	0	0	0	

# Mendocino County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	87,448	22,417	6,735	100%	
African-American	507	157	29	<1%	
Asian	1,171	292	99	1%	
Latino	11,719	4,849	1,898	28%	
Native American	3,572	1,257	430	6%	
White	70,479	15,862	4,279	64%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		1,025			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent		24.9%	29.1%	All	273
				African-American	NS
				Asian	4
				Latino	163
				Native American	24
				White	81
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	
All	17.3%	21.2%		Cost/month—infant	NA
African-American	43.9%	131.0%		Cost/month—preschool	NA
Asian	8.2%	6.1%		Child care centers:	\$355
Latino	10.7%	12.8%		% spaces for infants	NA
Native American	46.4%	51.9%			2%
White	16.9%	21.5%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		2,197	60.0%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	60%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$104
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$616	64.3%	Two bedroom	NA
				As percent of minimum wage	NA

Education

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	14.6%	7.2%	7.4%	
African-American	NS	14.3%	NS	
Asian	23.5%	11.8%	8.3%	
Latino	13.7%	7.7%	9.4%	
Native American	37.5%	23.4%	13.3%	
White	12.2%	4.8%	5.8%	
PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	4.5%	5.6%	5.4%	
African-American	NS	14.3%	NS	
Asian	0.0%	5.9%	8.3%	
Latino	6.4%	7.1%	6.5%	
Native American	10.0%	7.8%	6.7%	
White	3.3%	4.5%	4.3%	
INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	8.0	9.8	4.9	
African-American	NS	0.0	NS	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	6.4	20.2	6.5	
Native American	12.5	15.6	0.0	
White	8.5	4.8	4.8	
TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	67.5	53.9	44.2	
African-American	90.9	87.0	37.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	22.2	
Latino	131.2	96.6	93.0	
Native American	128.2	90.9	95.2	
White	51.9	43.6	32.2	
MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997		
Percent			64%	

## CLASSROOMS

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999	
% eligible in Head Start	NA	40.9%	NA	NA	
Average class size	24.3	23.4	22.8		
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,972	\$5,461	\$5,811		
Students with limited English Proficiency	11%	12%	NA		
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	42%	47%			
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	33%	42%			
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>					
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	10.3				
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	0.0				

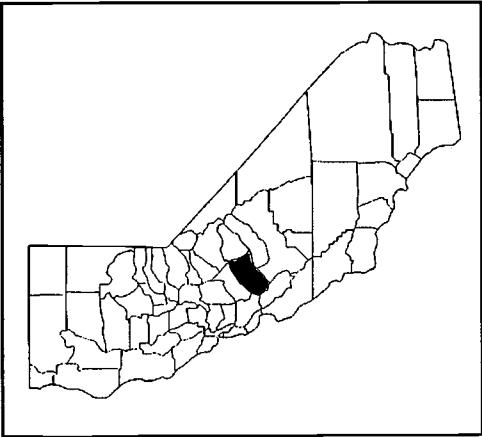
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<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>		<b>AGES 0-17</b>		<b>AGES 0-5</b>	
All		11.1	9.8		
African-American		49.7	115.4		
Asian		3.6	0.0		
Latino		8.9	4.5		
Native American		26.1	25.9		
White		10.3	10.0		
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>					
Number of reports		3,721		166.3	
Rate (per 1,000)					
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>					
Injuries		Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5	
Deaths		3		0	
		1		0	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>					
Injuries		Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5	
Deaths		165		18	
		2		0	

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# Merced County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	206,254	70,949	24,105	100%
African-American	8,444	2,839	944	4%
Asian	20,817	10,125	3,226	13%
Latino	74,188	30,701	11,833	49%
Native American	1,226	273	73	<1%
White	101,579	27,011	8,029	33%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>3,610</b>		

## County Highlights

Merced County has a large percentage of children living in families in poverty. Merced also has a larger percentage of new mothers without a high school degree compared to other counties in California. The proficiency of Merced's third graders on reading and math tests is well below the state average. Merced compares well against other counties in its ability to secure child support orders and in the average child support payment per case with an order. Merced's foster care rate is less than half the state average.

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)	
Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Number	Percent
All	35.6%	27.1%	29.4%	1,567	43.4%
African-American		52.3%	62.9%	52	35.6%
Asian		54.0%	45.6%	242	60.8%
Latino		26.7%	29.2%	1,097	55.7%
Native American		17.9%	23.3%	1	7.7%
White		14.9%	19.4%	173	16.1%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>					
Cost/month—infant				NA	NA
Cost/month—preschool				\$347	NA
Child care centers:				NA	\$333
% spaces for infants				NA	4%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>					
Percent cases with orders					82%
Money collected mo./case with order				\$94	\$108
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>				\$528	\$112
Two bedroom					
As percent of minimum wage				55.1%	

## Merced County Rankings

### Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE			
	1995	1996	1997
All	6.1%	5.9%	7.1%
African-American	8.1%	6.7%	12.3%
Asian	7.7%	7.3%	6.0%
Latino	5.8%	5.5%	7.5%
Native American	0.0%	5.9%	0.0%
White	5.8%	5.9%	6.3%

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS			
	1995	1996	1997
All	6.1%	6.3%	6.0%
African-American	9.3%	7.4%	11.6%
Asian	6.0%	6.7%	7.8%
Latino	5.7%	6.2%	5.4%
Native American	25.0%	11.8%	0.0%
White	6.3%	6.2%	5.7%

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)			
	1995	1996	1997
All	8.2	7.2	6.9
African-American	5.8	7.4	27.4
Asian	11.2	13.8	5.0
Latino	5.0	4.1	6.6
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0
White	12.3	10.1	5.6

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)			
	1995	1996	1997
All	99.5	84.4	74.8
African-American	131.9	103.4	93.3
Asian	128.9	74.5	65.2
Latino	135.1	121.4	115.1
Native American	54.1	142.9	0.0
White	57.1	51.4	40.5

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING			
	1997	1998	1999
Percent	24%		

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)			
	1997	1998	1999
Injuries	6	2	0
Deaths	2	0	0

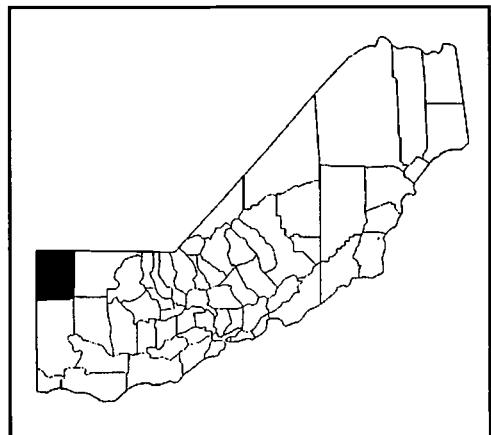
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)			
	1997	1998	1999
Injuries	500	66	66
Deaths	13	4	4

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Education			
	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>			
% eligible in Head Start	NA	41.9%	NA
Average class size	27.4	26.4	26.1
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,174	\$4,441	\$4,751
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	33%	32%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	31%	35%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	31%	40%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		4.2	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.6	
<b>Safety</b>			
Late/no prenatal care			41 / 49
Low birthweight infants			33 / 49
Infant mortality			31 / 37
Teen births			47 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			56 / 58
<b>Education</b>			
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start			41 / 57
Average class size			28 / 58
Per pupil expenditure			43 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average			58 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average			57 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open			47 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs			25 / 56
<b>Safety</b>			
Foster care rate (0-17)			14 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)			12 / 48
Child abuse			40 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)			31 / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)			40 / 44

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# Modoc County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	10,304	2,416	717	1	100%
African-American	85	13			<1%
Asian	41	11	6		1%
Latino	996	403	154		21%
Native American	407	126	35		5%
White	8,775	1,863	521		73%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		98			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		26.9%	26.1%	All	17	17.3%
				African-American	NS	NS
				Asian	NS	NS
				Latino	7	31.8%
				Native American	NS	NS
				White	8	11.6%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	26.5%	30.5%		Cost/month—infant	NA	NA
African-American	30.8%	NS		Cost/month—preschool	NA	NA
Asian	18.2%	NS		Child care centers:	NA	NA
Latino	18.9%	26.0%		% spaces for infants	NA	0%
Native American	34.9%	40.0%				
White	27.6%	31.1%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		261				
Number of participants						
Percent of all eligible		65.4%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$474				
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage		49.5%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998		
Percent cases with orders		55%	51%	47%		
Money collected mo./case with order		\$42	\$59	\$62		

**Health**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	7.4%	4.4%	4.1%
All	NS	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	3.2%	3.6%	4.5%
Native American	NS	0.0%	NS
White	9.3%	3.9%	2.9%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	5.7%	6.1%	5.1%
All	NS	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	3.2%	7.1%	9.1%
Native American	NS	0.0%	NS
White	5.8%	6.6%	4.3%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>	8.2	17.5	10.2
All	NS	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	32.3	0.0	0.0
Native American	NS	0.0	NS
White	0.0	26.3	0.0

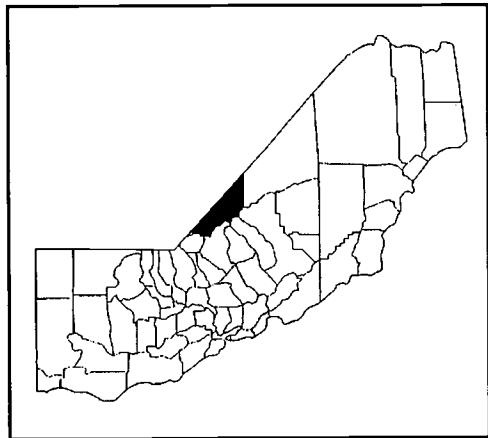
	1995	1996	1997
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>	36.9	63.1	56.1
All	NS	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	205.9	170.7	171.4
Native American	0.0	133.3	95.2
White	21.4	44.6	40.2

	1995	1996	1997
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>	77%		
Percent			

	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>			
% eligible in Head Start	NA	71.4%	NA
Average class size	19.7	19.4	18.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$5,405	\$5,471	\$5,926
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>			
1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	13%	12%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	44%	46%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	41%	59%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	45.9		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	9.5		
<b>Safety</b>			
Late/no prenatal care	NR / 49		
Child care cost/month—infant	NR / 49		
Child care cost/month—preschool	NA / 52		
Child care: % spaces for infants	47 / 47		
Child support: % cases w/ orders	40 / 48		
Child support: % collected	47 / 48		
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	6 / 58		
<b>Education</b>			
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	9 / 57		
Average class size	3 / 58		
Per pupil expenditure	6 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	44 / 58		
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	17 / 58		
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	7 / 58		
Public libraries: Preschool programs	2 / 56		
<b>Safety</b>			
Foster care rate (0-17)	9 / 57		
Foster care rate (0-5)	NR / 48		
Child abuse	51 / 58		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	42 / 55		
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	NR / 44		

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# Mono County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	10,616	2,645	763	1	100%
African-American	45	11			<1%
Asian	124	35	11		1%
Latino	1,594	592	260		34%
Native American	347	119	23		3%
White	8,506	1,888	468		61%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		118			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)	Number	Percent
Percent		12.7%	14.4%	All	40	33.9%
				African-American	NS	NS
				Asian	NS	NS
				Latino	34	73.9%
				Native American	NS	NS
				White	5	7.6%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
				Cost/month - infant	NA	NA
				Cost/month - preschool	\$477	NA
				Child care centers:	\$400	\$400
				% spaces for infants	12%	NA
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>					1996	1997
				Percent cases with orders	40%	NR
				Money collected mo./case with order	\$133	NR
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						NR
				Two bedroom	\$732	NR
				As percent of minimum wage	76.4%	NR

## County Highlights

Mono County has a much lower rate of children living in families with poverty-level income compared to the state average. Mono also has a larger percentage of licensed child care center spaces available for infants. Mono County third graders rank last in math proficiency and the percent of mothers without a high school degree is above the state average.

**Health**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	7.4%	2.5%	6.8%
All	NS	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	10.9%	5.3%	15.2%
Native American	NS	NS	NS
White	5.7%	1.4%	1.5%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	8.1%	4.2%	8.5%
All	NS	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	6.5%	2.6%	17.4%
Native American	NS	NS	NS
White	9.2%	5.5%	1.5%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	0.0	0.0	0.0
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0
Native American	NS	NS	NS
White	0.0	0.0	0.0

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	33.6	30.9	45.2
African-American	NS	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	NS
Latino	88.2	71.4	190.5
Native American	0.0	45.5	0.0
White	28.4	22.5	20.8

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997
Percent	35%
Injuries	32
Deaths	0

	1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
% eligible in Head Start		NA	93.2%	NA
Average class size		20.7	20.4	19.2
Per pupil expenditure	\$5,269	\$6,053	\$6,243	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	11%	13%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		59%	59%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		50%	30%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		86.2		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		7.6		
<b>Safety</b>				
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>				
All		4.9	5.0	
African-American		0.0	NS	
Asian		0.0	0.0	
Latino		0.0	0.0	
Native American		24.2	43.5	
White		5.2	6.0	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>				
Number of reports		220		
Rate (per 1,000)		33.0		
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>				
Injuries	0	0	0	
Deaths	0	0	0	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>				
Injuries	32	2		
Deaths	0	0		

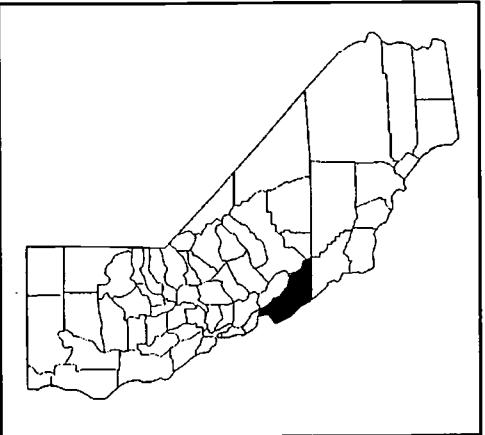
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**Mono County Rankings**
**Education**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>Family Economics</b>			
Children living in poverty (0-17)			7 / 58
Children living in poverty (0-4)			6 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-17)			3 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-5)			4 / 58
Fair market rent as % of min. wage			45 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education			36 / 55
Child care cost/month—infant			NA / 38
Child care cost/month—preschool			28 / 52
Child care: % spaces for infants			1 / 47
Child support: % cases w/ orders			NR / 48
Child support: \$ collected			NR / 48
<b>Health</b>			
Late/no prenatal care			NR / 49
Low birthweight infants			NR / 49
Infant mortality			NR / 52
Teen births			NR / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			46 / 58
<b>Education</b>			
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start			5 / 57
Average class size			4 / 58
Per pupil expenditure			3 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average			19 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average			58 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open			2 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs			3 / 56
<b>Safety</b>			
Foster care rate (0-17)			16 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)			NR / 48
Child abuse			19 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)			51 / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)			NR / 44

# Monterey County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	387,989	117,106	42,464	100%
African-American	23,021	5,570	1,158	3%
Asian	28,334	7,149	2,226	5%
Latino	151,889	62,671	26,463	62%
Native American	2,330	470	104	<1%
White	182,415	41,246	12,513	29%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>6,720</b>		

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)		Number	Percent
Percent	22.1%	26.4%	All	3,054	45.4%
			African-American	27	17.8%
		Percent Ages 0-17	Asian	41	10.7%
		Ages 0-5	Latino	2,844	65.2%
			Native American	3	25.0%
			White	139	7.8%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		<b>CHILD CARE</b>		1996	1997
All	11.0%	12.9%	Cost/month—infant	\$485	NA
African-American	14.6%	26.6%	Cost/month—preschool	\$425	NA
Asian	9.6%	9.0%	Child care centers:	2%	NA
Latino	14.2%	15.1%	% spaces for infants		5%
Native American	7.0%	12.5%			
White	5.8%	7.5%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997
Number of participants	13,752	Percent cases with orders	50%	61%	62%
Percent of all eligible	66.3%	Money collected mo./case with order	\$100	\$102	\$106
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>	<b>\$733</b>				
Two bedroom					
As percent of minimum wage	76.5%				

## County Highlights

Monterey County has a higher rate of births to mothers without a high school degree. Monterey's percentage of mothers receiving prenatal care services is lower than average, although it continued to improve between 1995 and 1997. Monterey has a low foster care rate. The county's child support collections per cases with orders is above the state average.

**LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE**

	1995	1996	1997
All	7.0%	5.3%	4.2%
African-American	5.7%	3.2%	4.6%
Asian	4.0%	4.8%	2.9%
Latino	9.0%	6.7%	5.3%
Native American	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%
White	2.9%	1.7%	1.6%

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	5.3%	4.8%	5.5%
African-American	5.1%	12.7%	7.9%
Asian	6.3%	5.0%	7.8%
Latino	5.4%	4.7%	5.7%
Native American	11.8%	7.1%	8.3%
White	4.5%	4.3%	4.2%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	5.7	5.3	5.8
African-American	6.4	0.0	0.0
Asian	0.0	2.8	0.0
Latino	5.6	5.4	7.1
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0
White	7.6	6.1	4.5

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	85.5	80.1	77.3
African-American	67.0	42.9	38.9
Asian	27.7	26.6	20.6
Latino	139.3	130.2	125.1
Native American	67.8	29.0	29.9
White	31.9	32.0	32.0

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997	Number of reports	Rate (per 1,000)
All	997	9,142	85.1
African-American	85.5	3,000	85.1
Asian	27.7	2,000	85.1
Latino	139.3	12,000	85.1
Native American	67.8	2,000	85.1
White	31.9	2,000	85.1

62%

Percent

**Education****LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE**

1995 1996 1997

% eligible in Head Start

Average class size

Per pupil expenditure

\$4,365

\$4,529

\$4,892

NA

50.6%

NA

26.2

\$4,892

NA

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

1995 1996 1997

% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.

% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.

35%

46%

40%

48%

35%

3.6

9.5

3.6

NA

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

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1995 1996 1997

% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.

% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.

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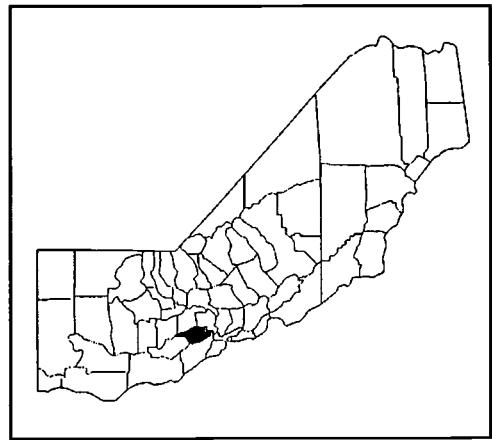
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# Napa County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity 100%
All	123,118	28,931	9,366	106	1%
African-American	1,569	423	319	319	3%
Asian	4,823	1,123	3,541	3,541	38%
Latino	22,322	8,508	62	62	1%
Native American	760	159	5,338	5,338	57%
White	93,644	18,718			
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		1,499			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		13.0%	16.2%	All	451	30.1%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	3	20.0%
All		5.6%	7.1%	Asian	3	5.2%
African-American		17.0%	34.0%	Latino	391	62.9%
Asian		3.0%	1.9%	Native American	1	14.3%
Latino		5.3%	6.0%	White	53	6.7%
Native American		6.3%	6.5%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White		5.5%	7.6%	Cost/month—infant	\$589	NA
				Cost/month—preschool	\$429	NA
				Child care centers:	2%	\$419
				% spaces for infants	NA	4%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		2258		<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	65%	62%
Percent of all eligible		80.2%		Money collected mo./case with order	\$115	\$150
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

## County Highlights

Napa County's infant mortality rate is well below the state average and declined between 1995 and 1997. Napa's low birthweight infant rate is also well below the state average and ranks 2nd among 49 counties. Napa has the lowest child abuse report rate in California. Napa has a per pupil expenditure below the state average

**Health**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>			
All	4.3%	4.2%	2.6%
African-American	6.7%	7.7%	0.0%
Asian	2.3%	2.7%	1.7%
Latino	6.2%	5.5%	3.4%
Native American	0.0%	NS	14.3%
White	3.2%	3.3%	1.9%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>			
All	4.2%	3.9%	4.5%
African-American	6.7%	0.0%	20.0%
Asian	6.8%	2.7%	10.3%
Latino	3.0%	3.5%	4.5%
Native American	0.0%	NS	0.0%
White	5.0%	4.4%	3.7%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	5.5	4.6	3.3
African-American	0.0	0.0	0.0
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0
Latino	5.3	6.6	3.2
Native American	0.0	NS	0.0
White	6.1	3.5	3.8

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	46.7	43.2	33.4
African-American	18.5	57.7	54.5
Asian	47.6	6.3	11.6
Latino	114.2	117.4	100.3
Native American	76.9	33.3	0.0
White	29.1	24.7	16.3

	1997	1998
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>		
Percent	73%	
Injuries		
Deaths		

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

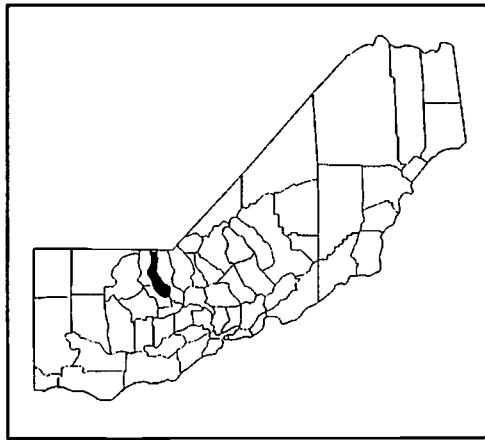
	1997	1998
Injuries	208	19
Deaths	1	0

**Health**

	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>			
% eligible in Head Start	NA	66.9%	NA
Average class size	28.4	27.0	26.7
Per pupil expenditure	\$3,937	\$4,454	\$4,695
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	18%	20%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	64%	63%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	59%	64%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	6.6		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	3.6		
<b>Safety</b>			
Foster care rate (1997—per 1,000)	6.0	5.7	
All	30.2	9.3	
African-American	3.7	3.4	
Asian	4.9	4.9	
Latino	25.6	50.8	
Native American	5.8	5.8	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>			
Number of reports	1,217		
Rate (per 1,000)	43.3		
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	0	0	
Injuries	0	0	
Deaths	0	0	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	208	19	
Injuries	1	0	
Deaths	0	0	

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# Nevada County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1996)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	91,117	19,985	5,463	100%
African-American	181	36	7	<1%
Asian	763	193	54	1%
Latino	4,429	1,553	531	10%
Native American	803	193	53	1%
White	84,941	18,010	4,818	88%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>	796			

## County Highlights

Nevada County ranks well in educational indicators, with third graders scoring among the top counties and a low rate of new mothers with less than a high school education. Nevada also has one of the lowest teen birth rates. Nevada's average child support collection is at the lower end among counties, with a \$71 average monthly collection per case with an order.

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	13.6%	18.0%	All	130	16.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	6.4%	9.0%	Asian	1	12.5%
African-American	27.8%	85.7%	Latino	51	52.6%
Asian	5.7%	1.9%	Native American	4	30.8%
Latino	2.2%	2.6%	White	74	11.0%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>			<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
Cost/month—infant			Cost/month—infant	\$520	NA
Cost/month—preschool			Cost/month—preschool	\$368	NA
Child care centers:			Child care centers:	1%	NA
% spaces for infants			% spaces for infants		3%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>			<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Percent cases with orders			Percent cases with orders	67%	70%
Money collected mo./			Money collected mo./	\$62	\$72
case with order			case with order		\$78
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom			\$686		
As percent of minimum wage			71.6%		

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE					
	1995	1996	1997	1996	1997
All	2.8%	3.5%	2.6%	NA	NA
African-American	NS	NS	NS	46.8%	NA
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	27.3	26.8
Latino	3.8%	11.4%	10.3%	\$4,187	\$4,594
Native American	NS	0.0%	7.7%		\$5,018
White	2.7%	2.7%	1.5%		

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS					
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996
All	4.9%	6.0%	5.2%	NA	NA
African-American	NS	NS	NS	62%	68%
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Latino	1.3%	10.2%	6.2%		
Native American	NS	6.3%	0.0%		
White	5.4%	5.6%	5.2%		

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)					
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996
All	3.6	11.3	3.8	NA	NA
African-American	NS	NS	NS	0.0	0.0
Asian	0.0	0.0	10.3		
Latino	0.0	11.4	0.0		
Native American	NS	0.0	3.0		
White	4.1	11.8	0.0		

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)					
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996
All	29.3	27.7	28.1	NA	NA
African-American	0.0	0.0	90.9	NA	NA
Asian	32.3	0.0	0.0	NA	NA
Latino	42.1	38.5	53.9	NA	NA
Native American	33.3	69.0	103.4	NA	NA
White	28.4	26.9	25.6	NA	NA

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)					
	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997
Injuries	0	0	0	0	0
Deaths	0	0	0	0	0

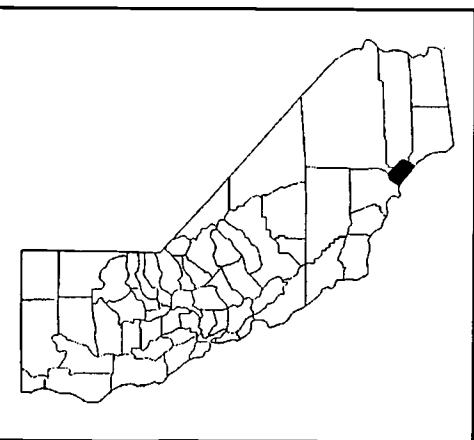
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)					
	1998	1998	1998	1998	1998
Injuries	220	2	1	15	1
Deaths	2	1	1	1	1

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**Nevada County Rankings**

Education					
	1996	1997	1998	1996	1997
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>					
% eligible in Head Start	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Average class size	27.3	26.1	26.8	NA	NA
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,187	\$4,594	\$5,018	NA	NA
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	1997	1998
Students with limited English Proficiency	0%	1%	NA	NA	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	62%	68%	68%	NA	NA
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	56%	65%	65%	NA	NA
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>					
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	8.3	NA	NA	NA	NA
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	1.3	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Safety</b>					
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	2 / 58	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Education</b>					
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	30 / 57	30 / 57	30 / 57	NA	NA
Average class size	32 / 58	32 / 58	32 / 58	NA	NA
Per pupil expenditure	29 / 58	29 / 58	29 / 58	NA	NA
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	3 / 58	3 / 58	3 / 58	NA	NA
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	8 / 58	8 / 58	8 / 58	NA	NA
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	26 / 58	26 / 58	26 / 58	NA	NA
Public libraries: Preschool programs	31 / 56	31 / 56	31 / 56	NA	NA
<b>Safety</b>					
Foster care rate (0-17)	17 / 57	17 / 57	17 / 57	NA	NA
Foster care rate (0-5)	11 / 48	11 / 48	11 / 48	NA	NA
Child abuse	27 / 58	27 / 58	27 / 58	NA	NA
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	47 / 55	47 / 55	47 / 55	NA	NA
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	30 / 44	30 / 44	30 / 44	NA	NA

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## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	2,744,995	768,293	296,505	100%
African-American	44,703	14,538	4,991	2%
Asian	342,299	99,285	36,663	12%
Latino	785,310	313,184	140,430	47%
Native American	8,386	1,732	612	<1%
White	1,564,297	339,554	113,809	38%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>47,487</b>		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	16.4%	21.1%	All	15,429	32.5%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	69	9.9%
All	7.0%	6.9%	Asian	622	10.6%
African-American	17.5%	20.2%	Latino	13,800	60.4%
Asian	14.6%	9.7%	Native American	19	18.1%
Latino	7.7%	7.8%	White	914	5.1%
Native American	5.0%	4.7%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White	3.7%	4.1%	Cost/month—infant	\$607	NA
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>	Number of participants	72,301	Cost/month—preschool	\$442	\$713
	Percent of all eligible	71.3%	Child care centers:	4%	\$486
			% spaces for infants	NA	4%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997	1998		
Percent cases with orders	51%	60%	64%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$74	\$79	\$89		

## County Highlights

Orange County has a mixed education record, with its third graders scoring near the top among the state's counties and a relatively high proportion of new mothers with less than a high school education. The county has the second largest average class size. Orange has an overall low infant mortality rate. Among the county's various ethnic groups, Latinos have the lowest infant mortality rate and African-Americans experience the highest.

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	3.4%	3.2%	3.0%	
African-American	2.8%	3.7%	3.3%	
Asian	2.0%	1.9%	2.4%	
Latino	5.0%	4.7%	4.3%	
Native American	2.7%	5.9%	2.9%	
White	2.0%	1.6%	1.5%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.4%	5.2%	5.3%	
African-American	11.1%	8.9%	11.4%	
Asian	6.2%	6.2%	6.6%	
Latino	5.1%	5.1%	5.2%	
Native American	8.0%	4.0%	8.6%	
White	5.1%	4.8%	4.8%	

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

		1995	1996	1997
All	5.6	4.4	4.4	
African-American	7.5	14.8	10.1	
Asian	5.5	4.4	5.3	
Latino	4.9	4.2	4.0	
Native American	0.0	9.9	9.5	
White	6.4	4.2	4.4	

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

		1995	1996	1997
All	58.2	56.4	50.8	
African-American	61.7	59.1	49.9	
Asian	16.0	14.8	15.0	
Latino	140.4	136.1	118.8	
Native American	75.9	32.1	48.4	
White	22.2	21.1	18.7	

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

		1997	1998
Percent	33%		
Injuries		45	2
Deaths		19	1

		1997	1998
Injuries		3,471	503
Deaths		13	2

**CLASSROOMS**
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**Family Economics**

Children living in poverty (0-17)

Children living in poverty (0-4)

Children receiving TANF (0-17)

Children receiving TANF (0-5)

Children receiving WIC assistance

Fair market rent as % of min. wage

Mothers w/ &lt;12 yrs education

Child care cost/month—infant

Child care cost/month—preschool

Child care: % spaces for infants

Child support: % cases w/ orders

Mothers who initiate exclusive

breastfeeding

37 / 55

**Health**

Late/no prenatal care

Low birthweight infants

Infant mortality

Teen births

Mothers who initiate exclusive

breastfeeding

50 / 58

**Education**

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds

in Head Start

Average class size

Per pupil expenditure

Percent of 3rd graders reading at

or above nat'l average

Percent of 3rd graders scoring

(math) at or above nat'l average

Public libraries: Monthly hours open

Public libraries: Preschool programs

28 / 57

57 / 58

50 / 58

**Safety**

Foster care rate (0-17)

Foster care rate (0-5)

Child abuse

Vehicle injuries &amp; deaths (0-17)

Vehicle injuries &amp; deaths (0-5)

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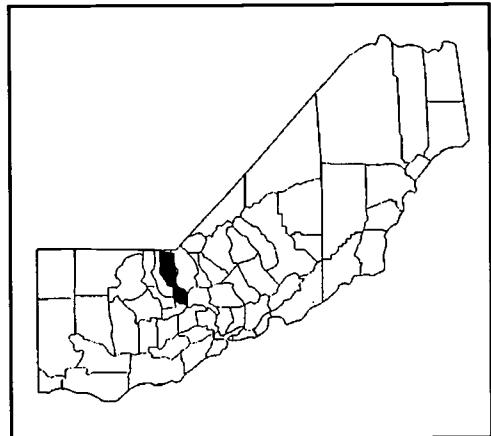
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# Placer County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	224,464	59,137	18,553	100%	
African-American	1,495	426	127	1%	
Asian	5,719	1,692	630	3%	
Latino	19,428	7,022	2,581	14%	
Native American	1,850	451	148	1%	
White	195,972	49,546	15,067	81%	

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		10.3%	13.7%	All	280	10.7%
		Percent	Percent	African-American	1	5.9%
		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	Asian	7	7.1%
				Latino	127	32.2%
				Native American	6	33.3%
				White	139	6.7%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>		
All		6.0%	7.3%	Cost/month – infant	\$659	NA
African-American		24.2%	33.1%	Cost/month – preschool	\$472	NA
Asian		1.8%	2.1%	Child care centers: % spaces for infants	3%	NA
Latino		6.7%	8.1%			2%
Native American		14.6%	17.6%			
White		5.8%	7.1%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>						
Number of participants				1,926	1996	1997
Percent of all eligible				52.1%	1996	1998
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom				\$648	44%	36%
As percent of minimum wage				67.6%	\$111	\$151

**Health**

<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	3.1%	3.0%	2.1%	
African-American	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Asian	4.8%	1.9%	2.0%	
Latino	7.8%	7.3%	4.8%	
Native American	0.0%	10.3%	5.6%	
White	2.4%	2.2%	1.6%	

<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.0%	4.6%	5.0%	
African-American	25.0%	10.0%	17.6%	
Asian	6.7%	3.8%	5.1%	
Latino	6.2%	4.5%	4.6%	
Native American	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
White	4.3%	4.5%	5.1%	

<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	6.3	6.2	1.9	
African-American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	13.4	4.7	0.0	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	5.5	6.4	2.4	

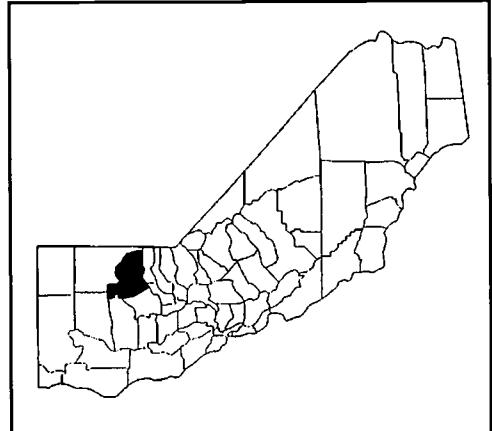
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	37.4	30.5	27.2	
African-American	94.3	76.9	88.9	
Asian	33.7	19.3	13.6	
Latino	97.3	80.4	70.7	
Native American	47.6	65.6	63.5	
White	29.9	24.5	22.0	

<b>Education</b>				
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
	1996	1997	1998	
% eligible in Head Start	NA	47.9%	NA	
Average class size	28.2	27.5	26.2	
Per pupil expenditure	\$3,962	\$4,256	\$4,517	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	4%	4%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	65%	68%		
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	60%	69%		
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	9.9			
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	3.1			
<b>Safety</b>				
Late/no prenatal care	7 / 49			
Low birthweight infants	7 / 49			
Infant mortality	9 / 37			
Teen births	5 / 52			
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	14 / 58			
<b>Education</b>				
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	26 / 57			
Average class size	39 / 58			
Per pupil expenditure	57 / 58			
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	3 / 58			
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	3 / 58			
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	20 / 58			
Public libraries: Preschool programs	16 / 56			
<b>Safety</b>				
Foster care rate (0-17)	20 / 57			
Foster care rate (0-5)	14 / 48			
Child abuse	15 / 58			
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	37 / 55			
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	22 / 44			

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# Plumas County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	20,574	4,382	1,067	100%
African-American	162	57	10	1%
Asian	125	35	14	1%
Latino	1,176	437	117	11%
Native American	610	171	41	4%
White	18,501	3,682	885	83%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>156</b>		

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)		Number		Percent	
Percent	19.3%	23.2%	All	16	10.3%		
			African-American	NS	NS		
			Asian	NS	NS		
			Latino	3	27.3%		
			Native American	1	11.1%		
			White	12	9.1%		
CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		CHILD CARE		1996		1997	
All	12.8%	18.7%	Cost/month - infant	NA	NA	NA	
African-American	33.3%	70.0%	Cost/month - preschool	\$451	NA	NA	
Asian	2.9%	0.0%	Child care centers:	NA	NA	NA	0%
Latino	7.6%	7.7%	% spaces for infants				
Native American	17.0%	29.3%					
White	13.0%	19.4%					
CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)		CHILD SUPPORT		1996		1997	
Number of participants	430	Percent of all eligible	84.3%				
FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)	\$474	Percent cases with orders	54%	NR	NR	NR	
Two bedroom		Money collected mo./case with order	\$150	NR	NR	NR	
As percent of minimum wage	49.5%						

## County Highlights

Plumas County ranks near the state average in the percentages of children living in poverty and receiving TANF. Plumas has one of the state's best records of connecting families eligible for the nutrition program WIC to its services. Plumas' average class size is well below the state average and third grade students' test scores are above the state average.

	<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	5.4%	5.4%	1.9%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	10.5%	0.0%	0.0%	
Native American	NS	NS	11.1%	
White	4.3%	5.5%	1.5%	

	<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	6.0%	6.8%	1.9%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Native American	NS	NS	2.3%	
White	7.1%	7.9%	2.3%	

	<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	6.0	13.5	0.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Native American	NS	NS	0.0	
White	7.1	15.7	0.0	

	<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	41.2	30.9	19.1	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	21.7	68.2	20.4	
Native American	57.1	62.5	0.0	
White	41.0	27.7	20.2	

	<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	41.2	30.9	19.1	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	21.7	68.2	20.4	
Native American	57.1	62.5	0.0	
White	41.0	27.7	20.2	

	<b>MOTERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>	1995	1996	1997
Percent				77%

	<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	1995	1996	1997
Injuries				49
Deaths				0
				5
				0

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## Plumas County Rankings

### Education

	<b>CLASSROOMS</b>	1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	44.4%	NA
Average class size		25.0	23.6	20.9
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,629	\$4,940	\$5,559	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency		2%	2%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		56%	65%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		51%	59%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			59.3	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			17.8	
<b>Safety</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Late/no prenatal care				6 / 58
Low birthweight infants				NR / 49
Infant mortality				NR / 37
Teen births				NR / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				

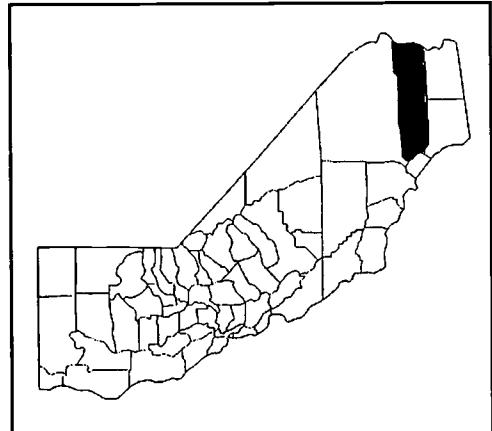
### Health

	<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>	1995	1996	1997
All	7.1	7.1	8.3	
African-American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Latino	9.2	9.2	0.0	
Native American	17.4	17.4	0.0	
White	6.6	6.6	9.9	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>	1995	1996	1997	
Number of reports			521	
Rate (per 1,000)			113.6	
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	1995	1996	1997	
Injuries	0	1	0	
Deaths	1	0	0	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	1995	1996	1997	
Injuries	49	0	5	
Deaths	0	0	0	

### Education

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	36 / 57
Average class size	11 / 58
Per pupil expenditure	12 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	7 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	17 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	4 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs	1 / 56

# Riverside County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	1,470,398	439,708	151,621	100%	
African-American	79,303	26,272	9,123	6%	
Asian	59,680	18,981	6,907	5%	
Latino	426,259	175,268	71,502	47%	
Native American	11,471	3,576	1,283	1%	
White	893,685	215,611	62,806	41%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		23,319			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		19.7%	22.7%	All	7,450	31.9%
				African-American	292	19.3%
				Asian	109	11.6%
				Latino	5,906	49.0%
				Native American	48	34.0%
				White	1,090	12.6%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	13.5%	15.8%		Cost/month - infant	\$563	NA
African-American	39.4%	44.4%		Cost/month - preschool	\$390	NA
Asian	11.4%	8.8%		Child care centers:	3%	NA
Latino	15.2%	15.7%		% spaces for infants		4%
Native American	13.9%	13.8%				
White	9.1%	12.5%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		36,464	57.8%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	51%	57%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$50	\$60
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$587	61.3%			
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	6.7%	5.7%	5.5%	
African-American	6.4%	5.3%	5.9%	
Asian	5.2%	4.8%	4.7%	
Latino	8.6%	7.3%	6.5%	
Native American	12.1%	10.2%	9.2%	
White	4.4%	3.6%	4.0%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.8%	6.1%	6.6%	
African-American	10.8%	11.3%	13.6%	
Asian	6.6%	7.7%	8.4%	
Latino	5.3%	5.8%	6.0%	
Native American	5.2%	5.1%	7.8%	
White	5.4%	5.6%	5.9%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	7.1	6.4	6.0	
African-American	14.9	15.0	13.2	
Asian	6.3	6.8	7.4	
Latino	6.9	5.2	5.1	
Native American	0.0	0.0	14.2	
White	6.3	6.6	5.8	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	75.8	69.2	65.1	
African-American	102.0	97.5	95.2	
Asian	34.2	34.1	31.8	
Latino	127.8	118.3	115.7	
Native American	97.9	64.8	75.9	
White	41.4	37.3	32.1	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	37%
Percent			

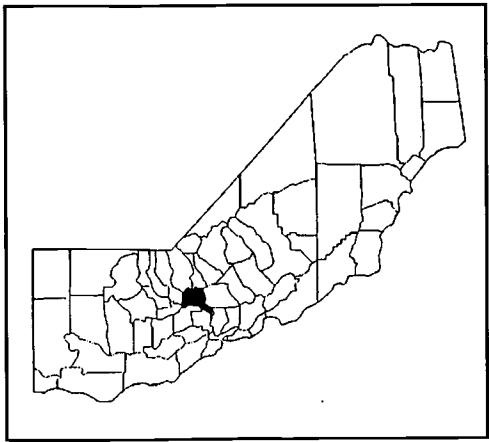
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1998
Injuries	2,092	309
Deaths	31	6

**Safety**

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997
Injuries	26	1
Deaths	11	0

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# Sacramento County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	1,166,303	327,795	112,070	100%
African-American	116,102	40,124	13,950	12%
Asian	128,006	43,994	16,046	14%
Latino	152,452	56,110	21,240	19%
Native American	12,193	3,225	972	1%
White	757,550	184,342	59,862	53%

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

17,312

## County Highlights

Sacramento County has one of the higher proportions of children in poverty. Also, Sacramento has a lower than average record of establishing child support orders for families who need them. Sacramento has improved from 1995 to 1997 in the percentage of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and teen birth rate. Sacramento has one of the better records of Head Start enrollment. The county's third graders' test scores are above the state average.

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent	Children Ages 0-17	Percent	Percent Ages 0-17	Number	Percent
All	24.5%	24.5%	26.9%	4,003	23.1%
African-American				505	23.2%
Asian				670	26.6%
Latino				1,509	42.2%
Native American				44	34.1%
White				1,268	14.4%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		<b>CHILD CARE</b>		<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	
Cost/month – infant		Cost/month – preschool		Percent cases with orders	
Cost/month – preschool		Cost/month – preschool		Money collected mo./case with order	
Child care centers:		Child care centers:		\$121	
% spaces for infants		\$129		\$128	
Number of participants		1996		1997	
Percent of all eligible		1996		1997	
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		Percent cases with orders		39%	
Two bedroom		Money collected mo./case with order		\$121	
As percent of minimum wage		67.6%		6%	

	LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE	1995	1996	1997
All	6.9%	5.2%	4.9%	
African-American	8.4%	6.9%	5.3%	
Asian	5.7%	4.3%	4.8%	
Latino	9.5%	7.6%	6.7%	
Native American	14.4%	11.5%	10.1%	
White	5.9%	4.0%	3.9%	

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	6.6%	6.1%	6.9%
African-American	11.8%	12.6%	12.8%
Asian	6.5%	6.1%	7.6%
Latino	6.0%	4.8%	6.0%
Native American	8.8%	5.4%	7.8%
White	5.6%	5.2%	5.5%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	7.0	6.9	7.0

**CLASSROOMS**

	% eligible in Head Start	1996	1997
Average class size		28.4	27.3
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,256	\$4,516	\$4,970
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		17%	17%
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		45%	55%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		44%	56%

**Health**

	1998	1999	2000
Late/no prenatal care			3.0
Low birthweight infants			0.8
Infant mortality			
Teen births			
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			32 / 58

**Education**

	1997—per 1,000	1998—per 1,000	1999—per 1,000
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES</b>			
All	13.0	11.9	
African-American	38.3	33.5	
Asian	1.8	1.6	
Latino	10.7	9.3	
Native American	22.9	24.9	
White	10.7	10.2	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>			
Number of reports	33,000	103,500	
Rate (per 1,000)			

**Safety**

	1997	1998	1999
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>			
Injuries	33	2	
Deaths	20	3	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>			
Injuries	2,281	314	
Deaths	11	1	

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**MOTERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

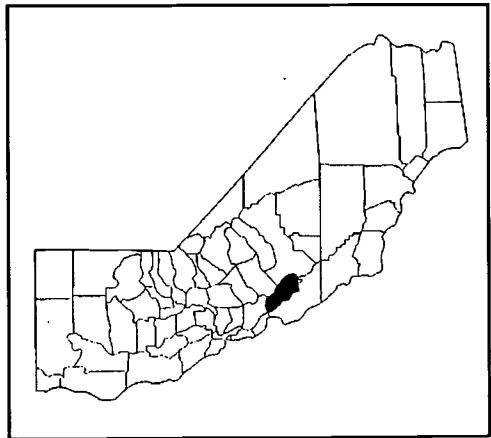
	1997	1998	1999
Percent	59%		

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# San Benito County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1996)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	48,356	14,252	5,083	100%	
African-American	202	72	23	<1%	
Asian	1,003	266	108	2%	
Latino	21,021	7,716	2,988	59%	
Native American	255	36	10	<1%	
White	25,875	6,162	1,954	38%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		888			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		15.4%	17.6%	All	304	34.2%
				African-American	NS	NS
				Asian	0	0.0%
				Latino	276	51.2%
				Native American	NS	NS
				White	26	8.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	8.7%	10.0%		Cost/month - infant	\$511	NA
African-American	26.4%	43.5%		Cost/month - preschool	\$399	NA
Asian	2.6%	2.8%		Child care centers:	4%	NA
Latino	12.4%	13.7%		% spaces for infants		15%
Native American	2.8%	0.0%				
White	4.1%	4.5%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		1,469	79.7%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	54%	61%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$69	\$75
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$665	69.4%			
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	2.3%	2.6%	1.8%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0%	7.1%	0.0%	
Latino	3.1%	2.5%	2.6%	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	1.0%	2.6%	.6%	

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997	
All	4.9%	4.9%	4.1%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	0.0%	28.6%	4.2%	
Latino	4.8%	3.7%	5.0%	
Native American	NS	NS	NS	
White	5.4%	5.9%	2.5%	

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997	
All	3.8	5.0	6.8	

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997	
All	68.7	72.3	61.2	
African-American	62.5	71.4	0.0	
Asian	28.6	58.8	29.4	
Latino	102.8	110.0	92.1	
Native American	0.0	0.0	NS	
White	28.6	27.0	26.4	

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997	
Percent	35%	

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

	1997	
Injuries	1	
Deaths	0	

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1998	
Injuries	95	
Deaths	12	

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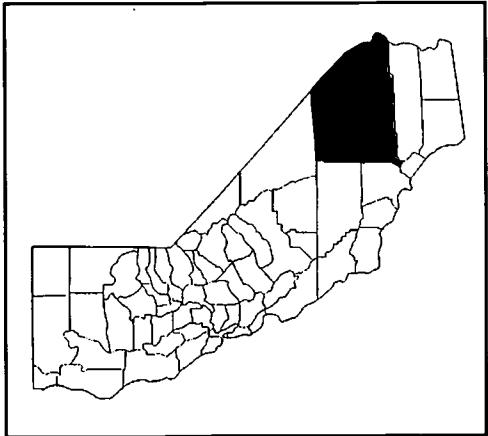
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**San Benito County Rankings**

Education				
	1996	1997	1998	
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
% eligible in Head Start	NA	89.3%	NA	
Average class size	28.2	27.5	26.5	
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,140	\$4,408	\$4,735	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	17%	16%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	42%	53%		
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	39%	51%		
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	5.9			
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	1.0			
<b>Safety</b>				
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>				
All	4.6	3.3		
African-American	55.6	69.0		
Asian	0.0	0.0		
Latino	5.0	3.4		
Native American	0.0	0.0		
White	3.6	2.1		
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>				
Number of reports	734			
Rate (per 1,000)	55.7			
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>				
Ages 0-17	1	0		
Ages 0-5	0	0		
Injuries				
Deaths				
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>				
Ages 0-17	95	12		
Ages 0-5	1	1		
Injuries				
Deaths				

# San Bernardino County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	1,652,363	537,480	185,239	100%	
African-American	142,961	52,157	17,544	9%	
Asian	80,011	25,946	9,516	5%	
Latino	514,420	212,418	85,144	46%	
Native American	10,870	2,901	992	1%	
White	904,101	244,058	72,043	39%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		28,319			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		22.9%	25.7%	All	9,402	33.2%
				African-American	654	24.6%
				Asian	155	11.2%
				Latino	6,938	48.7%
				Native American	53	37.6%
				White	1,598	16.2%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>		
All	19.0%	21.1%		Cost/month—infant	\$520	NA
African-American	40.7%	46.6%		Cost/month—preschool	\$381	NA
Asian	15.9%	11.7%		Child care centers:	4%	NA
Latino	20.6%	20.7%		% spaces for infants		4%
Native American	26.1%	26.2%				
White	13.2%	16.6%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		43,318	52.7%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	25%	41%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$110	\$89
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$587	61.3%			
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

	LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE	1995	1996	1997
All	6.7%	5.2%	4.9%	
African-American	6.6%	4.9%	5.0%	
Asian	5.3%	4.4%	3.7%	
Latino	7.9%	6.0%	5.6%	
Native American	11%	10.9%	11.3%	
White	5.2%	4.1%	4.0%	

	PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS	1995	1996	1997
All	6.7%	6.6%	6.7%	
African-American	12.2%	12.0%	12.5%	
Asian	6.7%	6.9%	6.5%	
Latino	5.7%	5.6%	5.7%	
Native American	9.6%	4.6%	9.2%	
White	6.5%	6.5%	6.6%	

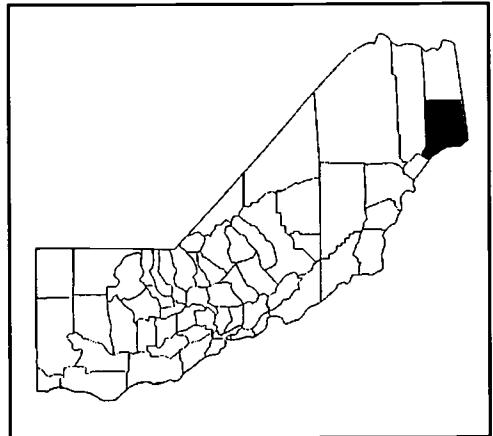
	INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	7.7	7.1	8.3	
African-American	19.3	13.5	19.2	
Asian	4.8	2.8	3.6	
Latino	6.6	6.5	6.5	
Native American	13.7	5.7	7.1	
White	6.5	7.0	8.6	

	TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	79.8	73.9	68.7	
African-American	101.7	86.2	89.0	
Asian	30.8	24.5	22.7	
Latino	129.5	124.6	115.6	
Native American	75.1	82.4	62.1	
White	46.5	42.0	37.7	

	MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING	1997	1998	Percent
Injuries	59	2		
Deaths	12	1		

	CLASSROOMS	1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	41.9%	NA
Average class size		30.1	28.5	28.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,086	\$4,368	\$4,810	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency	16%	16%	NA	
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	35%	41%		
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	36%	48%		
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		3.8		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		0.8		
Safety				
Late/no prenatal care				35 / 49
Low birthweight infants				46 / 49
Infant mortality				33 / 37
Teen births				44 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				48 / 58
Education				
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start				42 / 57
Average class size				56 / 58
Per pupil expenditure				47 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average				54 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average				42 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open				49 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs				42 / 56
Safety				
Foster care rate (0-17)				33 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)				26 / 48
Child abuse				32 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)				19 / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)				23 / 44
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# San Diego County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1995)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)		Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
		Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)		
All	2,823,630	773,813	284,731	100%	
African-American	172,955	56,355	19,820	7%	
Asian	245,742	73,212	27,554	10%	
Latino	681,591	267,313	113,771	40%	
Native American	15,947	4,062	1,383	<1%	
White	1,707,395	372,871	122,203	43%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		43,255			

## Family Economics

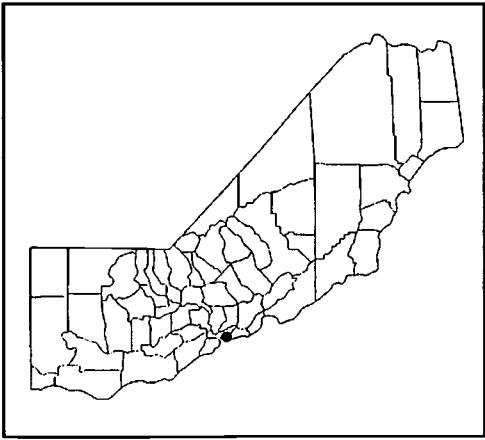
CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)				Percent
			Percent	Percent	Number		
Percent	22.7%	28.2%	All	All	11,214	25.9%	
CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	African-American	573	19.3%	
All	11.9%	12.2%	Asian	Asian	561	12.7%	
African-American	34.9%	38.7%	Latino	Latino	8,788	49.5%	
Asian	13.1%	10.0%	Native American	Native American	65	26.4%	
Latino	14.6%	13.7%	White	White	1,216	6.9%	
Native American	15.8%	15.0%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>				
White	6.3%	7.1%	Cost/month – infant	1996	\$598	NA	
			Cost/month – preschool	1997	\$425	NA	
			Child care centers:	1998	3%	\$421	
			% spaces for infants		NA	3%	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 – Ages 0-4)</b>							
Number of participants	77,621						
Percent of all eligible	64.9%						
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>							
Two bedroom	\$691						
As percent of minimum wage	72.1%						
Percent cases with orders		29%	41%	64%			
Money collected mo./		\$78	\$87	\$77			
case with order							

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<b>Education</b>		1995		1996		1997		1998							
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>		6.6%		5.5%		5.6%		NA							
All		6.0%		4.7%		5.3%		29.4							
African-American		4.0%		3.6%		3.8%		\$4,383							
Asian		11.5%		9.3%		9.4%		\$4,695							
Latino		5.2%		7.8%		6.5%		\$5,052							
Native American		2.7%		2.2%		2.4%		NA							
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>		1995		1996		1997		NA							
All		5.6%		5.8%		5.8%		52.0%							
African-American		10.0%		10.5%		10.6%		27.5							
Asian		6.8%		7.5%		6.7%		21 / 58							
Latino		4.9%		4.9%		5.3%		23 / 58							
Native American		5.2%		6.6%		2.8%		21 / 58							
White		5.2%		5.5%		5.3%		21 / 58							
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>		1995		1996		1997		NA							
All		4.9		5.4		5.5		NA							
African-American		10.8		10.6		14.5		NA							
Asian		2.7		5.1		3.4		NA							
Latino		4.7		4.4		5.5		NA							
Native American		8.1		4.1		4.1		NA							
White		4.6		5.6		4.5		NA							
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>		1995		1996		1997		NA							
All		62.8		59.4		49.3		NA							
African-American		93.9		81.5		76.5		NA							
Asian		40.0		34.7		29.6		NA							
Latino		122.9		125.4		102.1		NA							
Native American		74.9		82.1		91.9		NA							
White		31.6		26.6		20.9		NA							
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>		1997		NA		NA		NA							
Percent		61%		NA		NA		NA							
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>		1996		1997		1998		NA							
% eligible in Head Start		NA		NA		NA		NA							
Average class size		29.4		27.6		27.5		NA							
Per pupil expenditure		\$4,383		\$4,695		\$5,052		NA							
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
Students with limited English Proficiency		22%		22%		NA		NA							
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		54%		63%		NA		NA							
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		56%		68%		NA		NA							
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		5.1		5.1		5.1		NA							
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.5		1.5		1.5		NA							
<b>Safety</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
All		8.0		8.4		8.4		NA							
African-American		32.3		32.3		32.3		NA							
Asian		1.8		1.9		1.9		NA							
Latino		6.1		6.0		6.0		NA							
Native American		37.6		50.8		50.8		NA							
White		6.6		7.7		7.7		NA							
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
Number of reports		84,766		116,4		116,4		NA							
Rate (per 1,000)		NA		NA		NA		NA							
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
Injuries		45		14		1		NA							
Deaths		32		4		2		NA							
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>		1997		1998		1999		NA							
Injuries		3,781		3,544		554		4							
Deaths		32		4		4		NA							
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# San Francisco County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	784,624	148,870	53,932	100%	
African-American	78,447	20,089	6,389	12%	
Asian	259,087	55,636	19,450	36%	
Latino	123,828	32,083	12,307	23%	
Native American	2,714	395	114	<1%	
White	320,548	40,667	15,672	29%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		8,196			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)	Number	Percent
Percent		20.6%	22.3%	All	1,711	20.9%
				African-American	181	23.1%
				Asian	526	18.8%
				Latino	878	45.4%
				Native American	4	20.0%
				White	118	4.5%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996 1997 1998	
All	9.9%	9.3%		Cost/month - infant	\$780	NA \$922
African-American	29.1%	35.4%		Cost/month - preschool	\$542	NA \$623
Asian	9.1%	6.5%		Child care centers:	4%	NA 3%
Latino	6.5%	6.8%		% spaces for infants		
Native American	9.9%	14.9%				
White	4.4%	4.2%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>		13,323	74.4%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996 1997 1998	
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	78%	79% 81%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./ case with order	\$71	\$72 \$77
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$987	103.0%			
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

## County Highlights

One of the state's fastest growing counties, San Francisco County is an expensive place for families, with rent and child care costs among the state's highest. San Francisco has one of the best rates among the counties of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and among the lowest average infant mortality rates, although the rate for African-American infants is well above the state average for African-American infants. San Francisco has one of the lowest rates of child abuse reports and one of the highest foster care rates.

## San Francisco County Rankings

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	3.6%	2.5%	3.0%	
African-American	9.2%	4.6%	7.3%	
Asian	2.7%	1.9%	2.3%	
Latino	4.6%	4.0%	4.2%	
Native American	14.3%	13.3%	5.0%	
White	1.7%	1.4%	1.5%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	7.1%	6.7%	6.6%	
African-American	15.4%	15.1%	10.1%	
Asian	5.8%	6.4%	6.8%	
Latino	5.5%	5.6%	6.4%	
Native American	9.5%	6.7%	5.0%	
White	6.5%	5.0%	5.4%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	4.3	4.8	4.5	
African-American	10.8	13.6	17.8	
Asian	3.7	2.0	3.6	
Latino	5.8	7.4	4.1	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	0.4	3.1	1.9	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	40.6	35.7	35.2	
African-American	81.8	74.5	64.5	
Asian	13.9	10.6	13.4	
Latino	84.8	77.3	79.4	
Native American	64.5	52.6	35.7	
White	20.1	15.7	14.4	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries		13	0	
Deaths		3	1	
Number of reports			7,929	
Rate (per 1,000)			55.5	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	Percent
Injuries		62%	

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	48.3%	NA
Average class size		25.1	24.7	26.0
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,839	\$5,403	\$5,698	

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		32%	31%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		47%	53%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		51%	56%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			9.0	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			6.1	

Safety		
All		25 / 58

FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
All	22.4	18.2	
African-American	117.6	103.1	
Asian	2.5	2.6	
Latino	11.6	8.0	
Native American	82.9	85.5	
White	9.6	9.2	

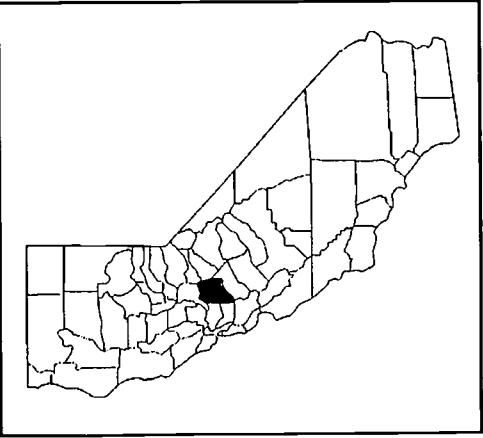
CHILD ABUSE (1996)		
Number of reports		7,929
Rate (per 1,000)		55.5
Injuries		
Deaths		

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	686	121	0
Deaths	3	1	0

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# San Joaquin County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	554,263	167,900	56,020	100%	
African-American	29,438	10,277	3,825	7%	
Asian	78,224	30,580	9,173	16%	
Latino	141,014	52,285	20,208	36%	
Native American	4,005	1,110	406	1%	
White	301,582	73,648	22,408	40%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		8,719			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	27.2%	29.1%		All	2,638	30.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5		African-American	177	26.6%
All	24.1%	26.2%		Asian	457	37.6%
African-American	54.1%	62.9%		Latino	1,557	45.5%
Asian	42.3%	33.5%		Native American	16	20.0%
Latino	22.4%	25.2%		White	428	12.9%
Native American	20.6%	19.7%		<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White	13.7%	18.0%		Cost/month – infant	\$542	NA
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 – Ages 0-4)</b>		13,767	57.2%	Cost/month – preschool	\$373	\$486
Number of participants				Child care centers:	4%	\$367
Percent of all eligible				% spaces for infants	NA	5%
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom		\$581				
As percent of minimum wage		60.6%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998		
Percent cases with orders		64%	72%	72%		
Money collected mo./case with order		\$71	\$84	\$89		

**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	5.7%	5.4%	5.6%	
African-American	7.0%	6.0%	7.1%	
Asian	2.9%	4.1%	4.8%	
Latino	7.3%	7.6%	7.5%	
Native American	7.6%	6.9%	6.3%	
White	4.9%	3.4%	3.7%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	6.3%	6.6%	6.5%	
African-American	11.0%	13.3%	14.1%	
Asian	7.0%	7.2%	6.9%	
Latino	5.4%	5.6%	5.3%	
Native American	5.1%	12.1%	6.3%	
White	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	6.4	7.6	7.2	
African-American	6.2	23.5	21.1	
Asian	3.8	4.8	6.6	
Latino	4.2	7.1	5.6	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	9.6	6.5	6.7	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	78.8	68.5	68.0	
African-American	163.8	124.1	137.9	
Asian	57.1	49.0	49.7	
Latino	120.3	108.9	112.9	
Native American	153.2	80.9	119.7	
White	50.1	43.9	38.6	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	40%
Percent			

**Education**

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	55.3%	NA
Average class size		28.4	27.3	26.7
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,197	\$4,550	\$4,877	

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		22%	21%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		•	38%	41%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.			38%	47%

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		2.2
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		0.7
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		

Safety	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	41 / 58
Infant mortality	29 / 37
Teen births	43 / 52
Child abuse	21 / 48
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	28 / 55
Public libraries: Preschool programs	46 / 56

FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
All		8.9	9.2
African-American		42.8	39.2
Asian		1.5	1.6
Latino		6.5	6.9
Native American		8.2	0.0
White		9.0	9.3

CHILD ABUSE (1996)		13,668	84.1
Number of reports			
Rate (per 1,000)			
Injuries			
Deaths			

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	33	0	
Deaths	10	0	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	1,167	178	
Deaths	14	2	

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Children living in poverty (0-4)		44 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-17)		47 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-5)		44 / 58
Fair market rent as % of min. wage		44 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education		34 / 55

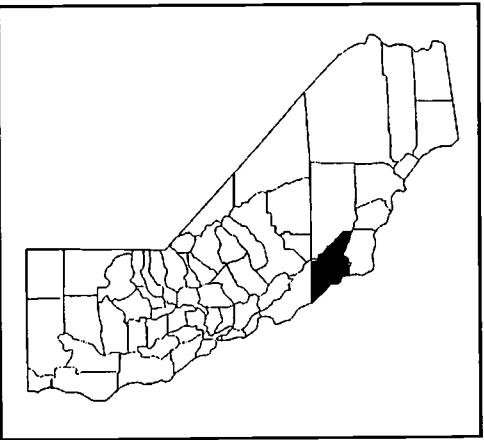
Health		34 / 49
Child care cost/month—preschool		21 / 52
Child care: % spaces for infants		17 / 47
Child support: % cases w/ orders		21 / 48
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding		41 / 58

Education		18 / 57
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start		45 / 58
Average class size		38 / 58
Per pupil expenditure		
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average		54 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average		47 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open		58 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs		46 / 56

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# San Luis Obispo County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	241,169	53,941	16,403	100%
African-American	4,894	1,024	211	1%
Asian	6,887	1,298	452	3%
Latino	34,957	11,425	4,324	26%
Native American	1,672	297	67	<1%
White	192,759	39,897	11,349	69%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		2,491		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	16.7%	20.1%	All	524	21.0%
			African-American	1	5.6%
			Asian	4	5.7%
			Latino	383	55.1%
			Native American	2	25.0%
			White	134	7.9%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996 1997 1998	
All	8.5%	10.8%	Cost/month — infant	\$407	NA
African-American	17.7%	32.7%	Cost/month — preschool	\$277	NA
Asian	5.7%	6.6%	Child care centers:	1%	NA
Latino	12.0%	12.9%	% spaces for infants		1%
Native American	7.4%	6.0%			
White	7.3%	9.8%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>					
Number of participants	2,740				
Percent of all eligible	48.6%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$714				
As percent of minimum wage	74.5%				
Percent cases with orders	85%				
Money collected mo./	\$116				
case with order					

San Luis Obispo County is one of the ten counties with the highest ranks in indicators of young child well-being. The county's third graders score among the top counties in math and reading tests. The county's infant mortality rate is one of the lowest. San Luis Obispo has one of the higher rates of child abuse reports and has a lower than average rate of children in foster care.

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<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.0%	4.1%	3.3%	
African-American	8.3%	10.7%	11.1%	
Asian	1.3%	2.8%	4.3%	
Latino	8.5%	7.4%	6.6%	
Native American	6.3%	12.5%	0.0%	
White	3.8%	2.6%	1.8%	

<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	4.6%	5.5%	5.4%	
African-American	4.2%	14.3%	11.1%	
Asian	8.8%	8.5%	8.6%	
Latino	4.2%	6.0%	6.0%	
Native American	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	
White	4.4%	5.0%	4.9%	

<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	3.8	4.4	6.0	
African-American	0.0	35.7	0.0	
Asian	12.5	0.0	0.0	
Latino	4.3	4.3	4.3	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	3.3	4.2	7.1	

<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	33.3	28.9	27.1	
African-American	53.7	12.4	0.0	
Asian	7.1	0.0	6.3	
Latino	89.4	91.2	84.4	
Native American	88.2	0.0	0.0	
White	22.8	18.9	17.8	

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

1997

82%

Percent

<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>				
	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5		
Injuries	0	0		
Deaths	3	1		

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

1997

82%

Percent

**INJURIES**

318

34

**DEATHS**

2

0

**CLASSROOMS**

% eligible in Head Start

NA

47.8%

NA

27.1

25.9

25.6

\$4,315

\$4,735

\$4,953

**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**

1997

1998

1999

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)**

Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)

Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)

10.2

3.9

**Safety**
**FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)**

All

7.6

6.8

**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**

Number of reports

Rate (per 1,000)

7,774

149.4

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

Ages 0-17

Ages 0-5

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**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

Ages 0-17

Ages 0-5

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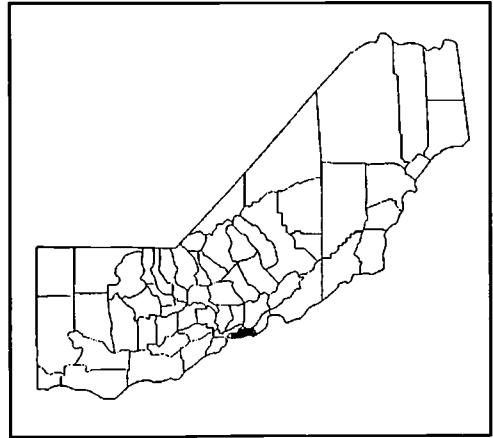
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# San Mateo County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	723,524	176,132	62,490	100%	
African-American	33,788	8,625	2,432	4%	
Asian	146,615	39,418	14,254	23%	
Latino	159,835	54,516	21,086	34%	
Native American	3,027	591	156	<1%	
White	380,259	72,982	24,562	39%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		10,050			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		9.6%	11.2%		2,007	20.0%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5		African-American	16.1%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		All	3.2%	3.6%	Asian	6.7%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		African-American	15.7%	19.4%	Latino	50.7%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		Asian	1.5%	1.6%	Native American	33.3%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		Latino	4.6%	5.4%	White	3.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		Native American	2.7%	2.6%		
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		White	1.6%	1.6%		
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		Number of participants	9,018	9,018	1996	1997
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		Percent of all eligible	61.3%	61.3%	1996	1997
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		Two bedroom	\$987	\$987	51%	58%
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		As percent of minimum wage	103.0%	103.0%	\$108	\$119
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					\$122	\$122
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		case with order				

	LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE	1995	1996	1997
All	3.2%	2.8%	3.2%	
African-American	5.5%	4.8%	3.7%	
Asian	4.2%	3.8%	4.6%	
Latino	3.6%	3.7%	3.9%	
Native American	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
White	2.1%	1.6%	1.9%	

	PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS	1995	1996	1997
All	5.9%	5.7%	5.9%	
African-American	14.8%	12.0%	11.8%	
Asian	5.8%	7.1%	7.0%	
Latino	5.8%	4.8%	5.2%	
Native American	5.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
White	5.0%	5.3%	5.2%	

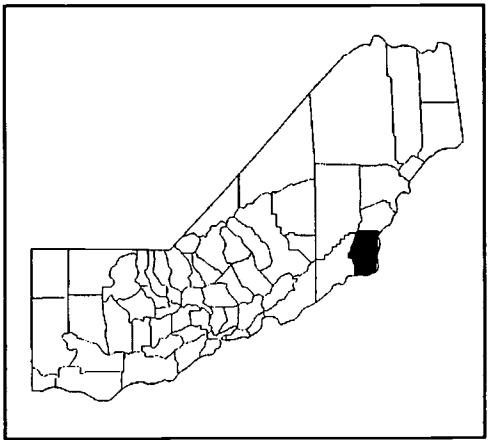
	INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)	1995	1996	1997
All	5.1	4.0	5.1	
African-American	20.5	12.0	2.8	
Asian	5.1	3.1	2.6	
Latino	4.2	3.4	5.9	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	4.3	4.3	6.2	

	CLASSROOMS			1996	1997	1998
<b>Family Economics</b>	% eligible in Head Start			NA	46.5%	NA
	Average class size			28.2	26.9	26.6
	Per pupil expenditure			\$4,444	\$4,686	\$5,058
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>		1997	1998	1999		
Students with limited English Proficiency		21%	21%	NA		
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.			57%	63%		
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.			56%	65%		
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				-		
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)				9.1		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)				3.7		
<b>Safety</b>						
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>						
All				3.7	2.8	
African-American				32.2	26.7	
Asian				0.8	0.7	
Latino				2.8	2.2	
Native American				5.2	0.0	
White				2.5	2.0	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>						
Number of reports				6,803		
Rate (per 1,000)				40.8		
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>						
Injuries				9	0	
Deaths				1	0	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>						
Injuries				745	89	
Deaths				4	2	

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# Santa Barbara County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1990)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	404,526	104,459	37,247	100%	
African-American	10,136	2,663	788	2%	
Asian	18,930	4,720	1,697	5%	
Latino	127,911	49,312	20,381	55%	
Native American	2,576	483	129	<1%	
White	244,973	47,281	14,252	38%	

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

5,789

## County Highlights

Santa Barbara County has one of the state's lowest foster care rates, while the rate of child abuse reports is slightly above the state average. The county's third graders' test scores in reading and math are above the state average. Santa Barbara has a higher percentage of infants born to mothers with less than a high school education compared to the state as a whole.

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	19.3%	22.3%		All	2,185	37.7%
			Percent Ages 0-17	African-American	13	12.5%
			Percent Ages 0-5	Asian	39	16.3%
				Latino	1,994	60.3%
				Native American	1	4.2%
				White	138	6.6%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>				<b>CHILD CARE</b>		
All	9.6%	11.4%		Cost/month - infant	\$628	NA \$669
African-American	25.3%	32.1%		Cost/month - preschool	\$399	NA \$459
Asian	8.5%	7.5%		Child care centers:	3%	NA 3%
Latino	12.2%	13.2%		% spaces for infants		
Native American	11.8%	14.7%				
White	6.0%	8.0%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>				<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		
Number of participants	10,698			1996	1997	1998
Percent of all eligible	65.6%					
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>				Percent cases with orders	76%	87% 89%
Two bedroom				Money collected mo./	\$64	\$69 \$70
				case with order		

**FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)**  
Two bedroom  
As percent of minimum wage

\$852  
88.9%

**CHILD SUPPORT**  
Percent cases with orders  
Money collected mo./  
case with order

**Health**
**Education**
**Santa Barbara County Rankings**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997	CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
All	4.6%	4.1%	3.6%		% eligible in Head Start	NA	42.3%	NA	
African-American	5.9%	4.2%	3.8%		Average class size	27.2	26.1	25.6	
Asian	5.3%	4.3%	2.1%		Per pupil expenditure	\$4,153	\$4,495	\$4,934	
Latino	6.2%	5.6%	5.0%						
Native American	21.1%	5.6%	0.0%						
White	2.2%	1.8%	1.6%						
PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997	STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
All	5.7%	6.1%	5.8%		Students with limited English Proficiency	26%	27%	NA	
African-American	5.9%	11.9%	8.7%		% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	54%	60%		
Asian	6.1%	7.4%	6.7%		% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	52%	64%		
Latino	5.6%	6.5%	5.8%						
Native American	0.0%	5.6%	4.2%						
White	5.9%	5.0%	5.5%						
INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997	Safety		1996	1997	1998
All	6.7	3.7	4.5						
African-American	0.0	33.9	0.0						
Asian	8.1	0.0	0.0						
Latino	7.0	3.3	5.4						
Native American	52.6	0.0	0.0						
White	6.2	3.1	3.8						
TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997	FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
All	56.4	56.2	53.0		All	3.6	2.1		
African-American	38.1	52.3	38.3		African-American	20.0	9.9		
Asian	29.9	25.4	21.4		Asian	1.1	0.0		
Latino	130.9	130.5	120.4		Latino	3.0	1.9		
Native American	74.6	12.8	50.6		Native American	10.2	15.4		
White	18.0	18.3	17.0		White	3.5	2.2		
MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	CHILD ABUSE (1996)		Number of reports (per 1,000)		9,328	93.1	
All	60%								
African-American									
Asian									
Latino									
Native American									
White									
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5		Foster care rate (0-17)		4 / 57		
Injuries	1				All	3.6	1.0		
Deaths	2				African-American	2.0	0.0		
					Asian	1.1	0.0		
					Latino	3.0	1.9		
					Native American	10.2	15.4		
					White	3.5	2.2		
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5		Foster care rate (0-5)		1 / 48		
Injuries	448				All	3.6	1.0		
Deaths	5				African-American	2.0	0.0		
					Asian	1.1	0.0		
					Latino	3.0	1.9		
					Native American	10.2	15.4		
					White	3.5	2.2		

**Family Economics**

Children living in poverty (0-17) 25 / 58  
 Children living in poverty (0-4) 22 / 58  
 Children receiving TANF (0-17) 16 / 58  
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 Child care cost/month—preschool 42 / 52  
 Child care: % spaces for infants 36 / 47  
 Child support: % cases w/ orders 4 / 48  
 Child support: \$ collected 45 / 48

**Health**

Child care cost/month—infant 30 / 38  
 Child care cost/month—preschool 42 / 52  
 Child care: % spaces for infants 36 / 47  
 Child support: % cases w/ orders 4 / 48  
 Child support: \$ collected 45 / 48  
 Late/no prenatal care 23 / 49  
 Low birthweight infants 30 / 49  
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 Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding 30 / 58

**Education**

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start 40 / 57  
 Average class size 25 / 58  
 Per pupil expenditure 40 / 58  
 Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. 40 / 58  
 Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. 40 / 58  
 Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) 6.1  
 Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) 0.4

Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. 36 / 58  
 Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. 36 / 58  
 Public libraries: Monthly hours open 36 / 58  
 Public libraries: Preschool programs 48 / 56

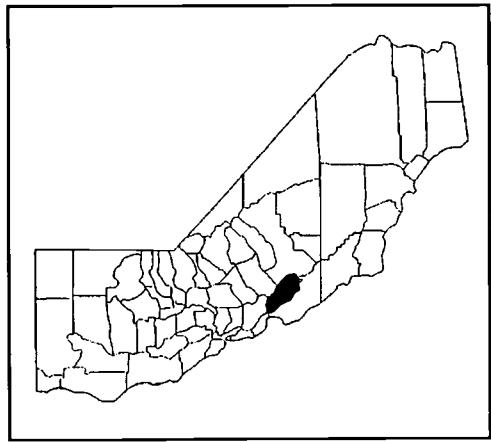
**Safety**

Foster care rate (0-17) 4 / 57  
 Foster care rate (0-5) 1 / 48  
 Child abuse 26 / 58  
 Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) 4 / 55  
 Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) 6 / 44

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# Santa Clara County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	1,700,976	442,072	159,845	100%	
African-American	60,929	16,463	5,344	3%	
Asian	384,503	113,015	42,294	26%	
Latino	404,520	141,621	56,234	35%	
Native American	5,311	1,009	370	<1%	
White	845,713	169,964	55,603	35%	

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

26,416

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4		
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5		
All	13.4%	15.1%			
African-American				All	5,331
Asian				African-American	99
Latino				Asian	531
Native American				Latino	4,245
White				Native American	23
				White	417
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		1996	1997	1998	
Cost/month – infant		\$702	NA	\$901	
Cost/month – preschool		\$490	NA	\$608	
Child care centers:		7%	NA	7%	
% spaces for infants					
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998	
Percent cases with orders		56%	64%	74%	
Money collected mo./case with order		\$92	\$99	\$107	

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## County Highlights

Santa Clara County has one of the lowest percentages among counties of young children living in poverty. For those children eligible for the nutrition program WIC, the county has one of the lowest rates of participation. The county has one of the higher percentages of child care center spaces designated for infants, yet costs for child care are among the state's highest. The county's rental costs are also among the state's highest. The county's third graders' test scores are among the best in the state.

**LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE**

	1995	1996	1997
All	3.7%	3.0%	2.6%
African-American	3.8%	3.1%	2.6%
Asian	3.4%	3.0%	2.0%
Latino	6.3%	4.7%	4.2%
Native American	5.9%	3.5%	6.4%
White	1.5%	1.3%	1.3%

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	6.1%	6.0%	5.9%
African-American	10.6%	9.4%	10.7%
Asian	6.6%	6.8%	6.5%
Latino	5.8%	5.8%	5.3%
Native American	7.1%	9.3%	7.7%
White	5.4%	5.3%	5.5%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	5.2	5.1	5.6
African-American	11.9	17.8	16.8
Asian	4.2	2.5	3.6
Latino	5.0	7.1	6.8
Native American	23.5	0.0	0.0
White	5.3	4.1	5.1

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	49.6	46.0	44.6
African-American	60.9	55.7	49.7
Asian	18.4	16.1	16.1
Latino	113.4	110.2	103.7
Native American	45.2	58.5	80.5
White	21.9	16.5	16.5

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997	1998
Percent	54%	

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

	1997	1998
Injuries	18	8
Deaths	0	0

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1997	1998
Injuries	1,969	1,969
Deaths	14	1

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**Education**
**LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE**

	1995	1996	1997
All	3.7%	3.0%	2.6%
African-American	3.8%	3.1%	2.6%
Asian	3.4%	3.0%	2.0%
Latino	6.3%	4.7%	4.2%
Native American	5.9%	3.5%	6.4%
White	1.5%	1.3%	1.3%

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	6.1%	6.0%	5.9%
African-American	10.6%	9.4%	10.7%
Asian	6.6%	6.8%	6.5%
Latino	5.8%	5.8%	5.3%
Native American	7.1%	9.3%	7.7%
White	5.4%	5.3%	5.5%

**Family Economics**

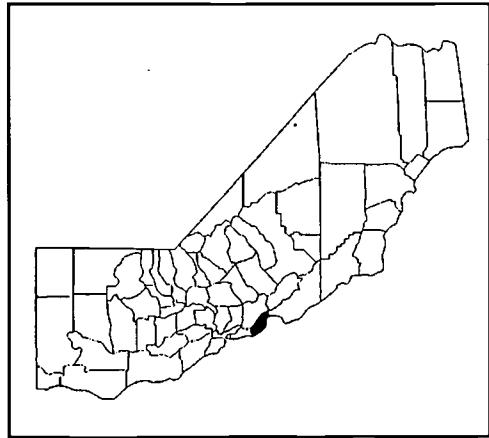
	1995	1996	1997
% eligible in Head Start		NA	44.9%
Average class size		28.9	26.9
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,442	\$4,747	\$5,169
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		23%	22%
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		63%	65%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		62%	68%
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			5.5
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			2.6
<b>Safety</b>			
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding			35 / 58

**Health**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>			
All		7.3	5.7
African-American		32.6	25.9
Asian		1.6	1.1
Latino		10.3	7.8
Native American		26.3	13.9
White		5.8	4.9
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>			
Number of reports			22,700
Rate (per 1,000)			54.0
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>			
Injuries	18	8	0
Deaths	0	0	0
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>			
Injuries	1,969	1,969	277
Deaths	14	1	1

	1995	1996	1997
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start			34 / 57
Average class size			48 / 58
Per pupil expenditure			16 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average			7 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average			4 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open			41 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs			17 / 56
<b>Safety</b>			
Foster care rate (0-17)			28 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)			18 / 48
Child abuse			9 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)			7 / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)			12 / 44

# Santa Cruz County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	251,475	63,948	21,745	100%	
African-American	2,741	733	168	1%	
Asian	9,978	2,290	745	3%	
Latino	59,907	24,546	10,423	48%	
Native American	1,378	246	56	<1%	
White	177,471	36,133	10,353	48%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		3,559			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	Percent			
Percent		17.8%	21.7%				
CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5				
All		7.6%	9.2%				
African-American		21.1%	32.7%				
Asian		4.5%	4.7%				
Latino		11.3%	11.6%				
Native American		7.7%	5.4%				
White		5.0%	6.7%				
<b>CHILD CARE</b>							
Cost/month – infant							
Cost/month – preschool							
Child care centers: % spaces for infants							
Number of participants		4,992					
Percent of all eligible		60.2%					
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>							
Percent cases with orders		45%	65%	66%			
Money collected mo./case with order		\$133	\$153	\$150			
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>							
Two bedroom		\$985					
As percent of minimum wage		102.8%					

Santa Cruz County  
Rankings

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	3.9%	3.6%	2.3%
All	11.1%	0.0%	0.0%
African-American			
Asian			
Latino			
Native American			
White			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	4.7%	4.4%	5.1%
All	14.8%	4.8%	10.0%
African-American			
Asian			
Latino			
Native American			
White			

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	3.7	6.1	4.8
African-American	0.0	47.6	0.0
Asian	0.0	8.5	10.4
Latino	4.2	6.6	4.6
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0
White			

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	52.7	45.8	41.5
African-American	43.1	7.9	36.8
Asian	9.9	2.4	4.5
Latino	135.3	129.8	117.3
Native American	44.4	17.5	0.0
White	22.6	16.1	13.5

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997	62%
Percent		

	1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
% eligible in Head Start		NA	53.1%	NA
Average class size		29.0	27.8	27.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,267	\$4,633	\$4,927	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency		27%	27%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		58%	62%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		59%	67%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		9.4		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		2.1		

**Safety**

	1997	Ages 0-5
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>		
All	6.6	5.9
African-American	23.3	34.9
Asian	1.4	1.4
Latino	6.7	5.2
Native American	3.9	0.0
White	6.5	6.4
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>		
Number of reports	5,652	
Rate (per 1,000)	91.2	

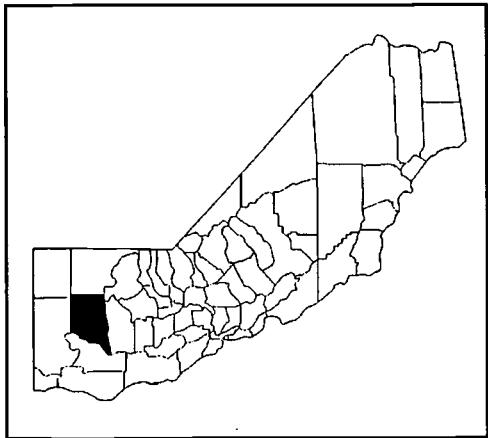
	1997	Ages 0-5
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	1	0
Injuries	1	0
Deaths	1	0
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	326	45
Injuries	3	0
Deaths	3	0

	1995	1996	1997	1998
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<b>Family Economics</b>				
Children living in poverty (0-17)	22 / 58			
Children living in poverty (0-4)	20 / 58			
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	11 / 58			
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	11 / 58			
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	54 / 58			
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	41 / 58			
<b>Health</b>				
Child care cost/month—infant	33 / 41			
Child care cost/month—preschool	46 / 55			
Child care: % spaces for infants	11 / 42			
Child support: % cases w/ orders	37 / 58			
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	25 / 58			
<b>Education</b>				
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	20 / 57			
Average class size	51 / 58			
Per pupil expenditure	27 / 58			
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	15 / 58			
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	7 / 58			
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	22 / 58			
Public libraries: Preschool programs	22 / 56			
<b>Safety</b>				
Foster care rate (0-17)	24 / 57			
Foster care rate (0-5)	16 / 48			
Child abuse	28 / 58			
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)	13 / 55			
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)	10 / 44			

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# Shasta County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1996)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	166,807	43,576	12,969	100%	
African-American	1,197	403	116	1%	
Asian	4,089	1,716	513	4%	
Latino	7,515	2,898	960	7%	
Native American	4,172	1,273	454	4%	
White	149,834	37,286	10,926	84%	

## TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)

2,000

## County Highlights

Shasta County has a higher percentage of poor and very poor children than the state average. The county has one of the best rates of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and its percent of infants born at low birthweight has improved each year from 1995 to 1997. The county has one of the lower percentages of children eligible for Head Start enrolled in this preschool program.

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		24.0%	27.6%	All	453	22.7%
		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	8	34.8%
				Asian	11	19.6%
				Latino	59	41.8%
				Native American	26	29.5%
				White	348	20.6%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	22.2%	27.2%		Cost/month - infant	\$425	NA
African-American	47.1%	78.4%		Cost/month - preschool	\$273	NA
Asian	51.0%	37.6%		Child care centers:	3%	NA
Latino	10.8%	15.1%		% spaces for infants		4%
Native American	28.3%	29.1%				
White	21.3%	27.2%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>		3,625	57.3%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	76%	68%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$65	\$70

**FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)**  
Two bedroom  
As percent of minimum wage

<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>	\$510
Two bedroom	53.2%
As percent of minimum wage	

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>			
All	3.8%	2.4%	2.5%
African-American	13.3%	17.4%	4.3%
Asian	4.3%	1.6%	1.8%
Latino	1.4%	6.1%	4.3%
Native American	9.1%	4.7%	6.8%
White	3.7%	1.8%	2.1%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>			
All	5.6%	5.0%	4.8%
African-American	13.3%	4.3%	8.7%
Asian	10.0%	6.5%	8.9%
Latino	6.2%	5.4%	5.0%
Native American	1.3%	9.3%	4.5%
White	5.5%	4.7%	4.6%

	1995	1996	1997
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>			
All	6.9	5.9	8.5
African-American	0.0	0.0	0.0
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0
Latino	6.8	6.8	7.1
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0
White	7.5	6.4	9.5

	1995	1996	1997
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>			
All	52.7	55.0	55.0
African-American	115.4	108.7	235.3
Asian	62.5	63.5	19.7
Latino	87.6	97.2	106.1
Native American	111.1	58.5	108.3
White	47.2	51.1	49.5

	1995	1996	1997
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>			
All	6,337	146.3	
African-American			
Asian			
Latino			
Native American			
White			

	1997	1998
<b>MOTORS VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	0	0
Injuries	2	0
Deaths	1	0

	1997	1998
<b>MOTORS VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	311	39
Injuries	4	1
Deaths		

	1995	1996	1997
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>			
% eligible in Head Start		NA	38.0%
Average class size	27.6	26.2	25.8
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,144	\$4,629	\$4,994
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	3%	3%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	47%	49%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	42%	49%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		2.2	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		0.7	

	1995	1996	1997
<b>Safety</b>			
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>			
All	10.6	11.6	
African-American	62.0	104.3	
Asian	0.6	0.0	
Asian	5.3	7.3	
Latino	41.2	48.3	
Native American	9.9	10.1	
White			
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>			
Number of reports		6,337	
Rate (per 1,000)		146.3	

	1997	1998
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	0	0
Injuries	2	0
Deaths	1	0

	1997	1998
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	311	39
Injuries	4	1
Deaths		

	1997	1998
<b>Family Economics</b>		
Children living in poverty (0-17)	35 / 58	
Children living in poverty (0-4)	39 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	45 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	47 / 58	
Fair marker rent as % of min. wage	15 / 58	
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	20 / 55	
Child care cost/month—infant	14 / 38	
Child care cost/month—preschool	20 / 52	
Child care: % spaces for infants	26 / 47	
Child support: % cases w/ orders	17 / 48	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	5 / 58	
<b>Health</b>		
Late/no prenatal care	8 / 49	
Low birthweight infants	11 / 49	
Infant mortality	28 / 37	
Teen births	25 / 52	

	1997	1998
<b>Education</b>		
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	52 / 57	
Average class size	27 / 58	
Per pupil expenditure	32 / 58	
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	36 / 58	
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	40 / 58	
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	57 / 58	
Public libraries: Preschool programs	44 / 56	

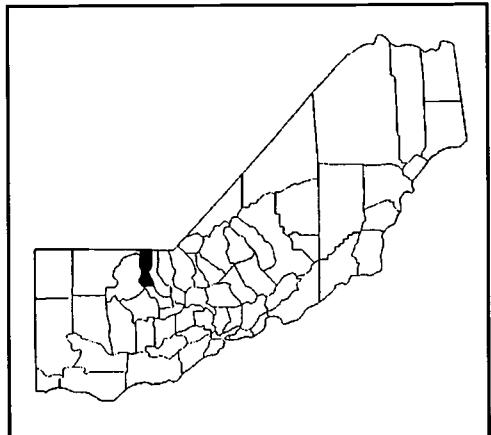
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# Sierra County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	3,403	701	122	100%
African-American	6	2	0	0%
Asian	10	2	2	2%
Latino	196	58	11	9%
Native American	60	15	0	0%
White	3,131	624	109	89%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		12		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	10.6%	9.6%	All	6	50.0%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	10.7%	22.1%	Asian	NS	NS
African-American	NS	NS	Latino	NS	NS
Asian	NS	NS	Native American	NS	NS
Latino	6.9%	9.1%	White	5	45.5%
Native American	26.7%	NS	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White	9.9%	20.2%	Cost/month - infant	NA	NA
			Cost/month - preschool	\$282	NA
			Child care centers:	NA	NA
			% spaces for infants	0%	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>			<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants	45		Percent cases with orders	90%	88%
Percent of all eligible	125.0%		Money collected mo./case with order	\$110	\$138
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					\$125
Two bedroom	\$497				
As percent of minimum wage	51.9%				

# Sierra County Rankings

		Education							
		CLASSROOMS		1996		1997		1998	
All	4.3%	0.0%	8.3%						
African-American	NS	NS	NS	NA	100.0%	NA	NA	NA	NA
Asian	NS	NS	NS	16.9	16.5	15.8	4 / 58		
Latino	NS	NS	NS	\$6,018	\$6,477	\$2,702	1 / 58		
Native American	NS	NS	NS				15 / 58		
White	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%				36 / 58		
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>									
All	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1996	1997				
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%						
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>									
All	0.0	0.0	0.0	1995	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	0.0	0.0	0.0						
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>									
All	0.0	0.0	0.0	1997	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	0.0	0.0	0.0						
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>									
All	23.1	7.3	14.8	1995	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	0.0	0.0	142.9						
Native American	NS	NS	7.9						
White	25.6	8.0	7.9						
<b>MOTERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>									
All	67%			1997					
African-American									
Asian									
Latino									
Native American									
White									
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>									
Injuries				0					
Deaths				0					
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>									
Injuries				17					
Deaths				0					

		Health							
		CLASSROOMS		1996		1997		1998	
All	4.3%	0.0%	8.3%						
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%						
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>									
All	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1995	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%						
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>									
All	0.0	0.0	0.0	1995	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	0.0	0.0	0.0						
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>									
All	0.0	0.0	0.0	1997	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	NS	NS	NS						
Native American	NS	NS	NS						
White	0.0	0.0	0.0						
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>									
All	23.1	7.3	14.8	1995	1996	1997			
African-American	NS	NS	NS						
Asian	NS	NS	NS						
Latino	0.0	0.0	142.9						
Native American	NS	NS	7.9						
White	25.6	8.0	7.9						
<b>MOTERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>									
All	67%			1997					
African-American									
Asian									
Latino									
Native American									
White									
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>									
Injuries				0					
Deaths				0					
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>									
Injuries				17					
Deaths				0					

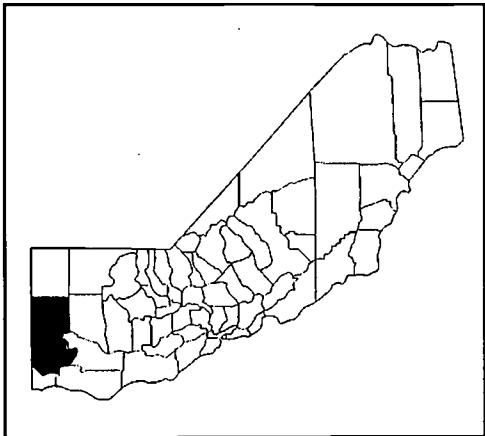
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# Siskiyou County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	44,505	10,491	2,954	100%	
African-American	697	179	35	1%	
Asian	405	134	44	1%	
Latino	3,154	1,208	478	16%	
Native American	1,989	555	128	4%	
White	38,260	8,415	2,269	77%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		425			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	Number	Percent
Percent		25.8%	32.6%	86	20.2%
CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	NS	NS
All	21.1%	23.8%	NS	NS	NS
African-American	38.5%	65.7%	NS	NS	NS
Asian	127.6%	54.5%	NS	NS	NS
Latino	12.3%	12.6%	NS	NS	NS
Native American	19.3%	23.4%	NS	NS	NS
White	20.4%	25.0%	NS	NS	NS
<b>CHILD CARE</b>		Cost/month – infant	Cost/month – preschool	Child care centers:	
Number of participants	973	\$381	NA	NA	
Percent of all eligible	62.4%	\$282	NA	\$326	
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		2%	NA	2%	
Two bedroom					
As percent of minimum wage					
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998	
Percent cases with orders	76%	77%	80%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$73	\$85	\$97		

	LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE	1995	1996	1997
All	7.5%	5.8%	3.8%	
African-American	NS	0.0%	NS	
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	NS	
Latino	8.8%	7.8%	3.4%	
Native American	25.0%	8.7%	20.0%	
White	6.7%	5.4%	2.7%	

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	7.5%	5.6%	5.6%
African-American	NS	14.3%	NS
Asian	0.0%	12.5%	NS
Latino	6.6%	4.4%	3.4%
Native American	16.7%	4.3%	0.0%
White	7.5%	5.7%	6.3%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	10.2	5.6	7.1
African-American	NS	0.0	NS
Asian	0.0	0.0	NS
Latino	11.0	0.0	0.0
Native American	0.0	43.5	0.0
White	10.8	5.0	9.0

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	47.6	43.2	46.5
African-American	57.1	0.0	31.3
Asian	50.0	136.4	47.6
Latino	93.8	100.6	81.4
Native American	10.6	31.6	76.9
White	44.4	36.5	40.6

**MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING**

	1997	1998	1999
Percent	73%	73%	73%
Injuries	1997	1998	1999
Deaths	1997	1998	1999

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1997	1998	1999
Injuries	90	90	90
Deaths	3	3	0

**Safety**

	1997	1998	1999
Injuries	3	0	0
Deaths	0	0	0

**CLASSROOMS**

	1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start	NA	34.2%	NA
Average class size	23.1	20.8	20.7
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,778	\$5,020	\$5,720

**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**

	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	2%	2%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	48%	56%	

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)**

	1997	1998	1999
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	37.5	37.5	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	5.2	5.2	

**Safety**
**FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)**

	1997	1998	1999
All	15.5	15.0	15.0
African-American	16.1	29.4	29.4
Asian	7.5	0.0	0.0
Latino	10.9	7.3	7.3
Native American	37.5	88.0	88.0
White	14.8	12.4	12.4

**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**

	1996	1997	1998
Number of reports	969	895	895
Rate (per 1,000)			

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

	1997	1998	1999
Injuries	3	0	0
Deaths	0	0	0

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

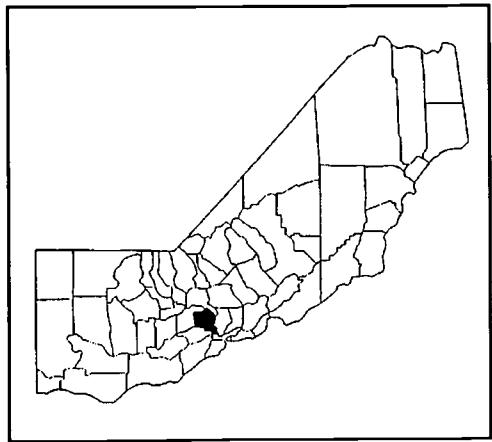
	1997	1998	1999
Injuries	90	90	90
Deaths	3	3	0

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# Solano County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1996)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	384,847	111,755	35,730	100%	
African-American	53,112	16,534	5,392	15%	
Asian	54,231	16,767	5,518	15%	
Latino	57,510	20,146	7,096	20%	
Native American	2,640	649	201	1%	
White	217,354	57,659	17,523	49%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		5,475			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	Percent	Percent	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		13.5%	16.4%			All	944	17.2%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5			African-American	135	15.8%
All	12.2%	15.2%				Asian	57	7.1%
African-American	37.7%	46.1%				Latino	520	40.8%
Asian	6.8%	7.2%				Native American	7	22.6%
Latino	10.0%	12.4%				White	223	9.0%
Native American	9.9%	10.9%			<b>CHILD CARE</b>			
White	7.2%	9.4%			Cost/month—infant	\$667	NA	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		Number of participants	7,003	1997	1998	Cost/month—preschool	\$455	NA
Percent of all eligible	55.1%				Child care centers:	5%	\$417	
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		% spaces for infants			% NA	4%		
Two bedroom								
As percent of minimum wage		74.2%						
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996	1997	1998				
Percent cases with orders		56%	64%	69%				
Money collected mo./case with order		\$78	\$86	\$93				

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**Health**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	8.6%	7.0%	5.9%
All	11.7%	9.7%	8.8%
African-American	5.5%	5.6%	5.6%
Asian	10.2%	8.3%	7.1%
Latino	10.5%	13.5%	16.1%
Native American	7.0%	5.9%	4.3%
White			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	6.3%	6.3%	6.4%
All	10.3%	8.9%	9.4%
African-American	7.7%	7.6%	8.7%
Asian	5.3%	5.9%	4.9%
Latino	5.3%	5.4%	3.2%
Native American	5.2%	5.2%	5.3%
White			

**INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	5.1	7.1	6.4
African-American	9.7	17.1	8.2
Asian	5.9	2.3	3.7
Latino	6.0	2.5	5.5
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0
White	3.2	7.6	7.3

**TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)**

	1995	1996	1997
All	53.7	52.4	47.3
African-American	75.0	76.2	73.6
Asian	36.2	37.8	28.6
Latino	80.9	84.9	100.2
Native American	52.6	29.1	72.7
White	43.9	39.9	28.2

**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**

	Number of reports	Rate (per 1,000)
All	5,676	51.6
African-American		
Asian		
Latino		
Native American		
White		

	1997	1998	Percent
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>			
All	60%		
African-American			
Asian			
Latino			
Native American			
White			

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1997	1998
Injuries	6	6
Deaths	4	2
<b>Percent</b>	60%	

**CLASSROOMS**

	1996	1997	1998
<b>% eligible in Head Start</b>	NA	47.2%	NA
Average class size	28.9	26.8	26.8
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,098	\$4,379	\$4,671

**STUDENT PROFICIENCY**

	1997	1998
Students with limited English Proficiency	9%	9%

**PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS**

	1995	1996	1997
All	6.3%	6.3%	6.4%
African-American	10.3%	8.9%	9.4%
Asian	7.7%	7.6%	8.7%
Latino	5.3%	5.9%	4.9%
Native American	5.3%	5.4%	3.2%
White			

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)**

	Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)
All	3.4	1.2

**Safety**

	1997	1998
All	9%	NA

**FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)**

	1997	1998
All	4.5	3.0
African-American	14.6	10.0
Asian	0.8	0.6
Latino	1.7	1.0
Native American	6.1	5.2
White	3.7	2.5

**CHILD ABUSE (1996)**

	Number of reports	Rate (per 1,000)
All	5,676	51.6
African-American		
Asian		
Latino		
Native American		
White		

**GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)**

	1997	1998
Injuries	6	6
Deaths	4	0

**MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)**

	1997	1998
Injuries	6	6
Deaths	4	0

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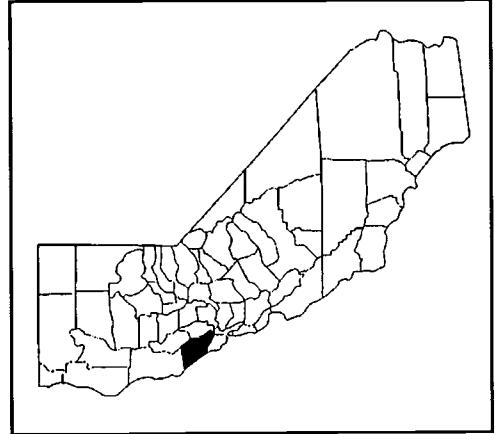
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# Sonoma County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	441,349	109,899	34,379	100%	
African-American	6,675	2,230	652	2%	
Asian	14,675	4,435	1,439	4%	
Latino	57,030	21,942	9,020	26%	
Native American	4,087	1,154	400	1%	
White	358,882	80,138	22,868	67%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		5,409			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	13.3%	16.0%		All	1,376	25.4%
			Percent Ages 0-17	African-American	22	24.7%
			Percent Ages 0-5	Asian	32	14.1%
			Ages 0-5	Latino	961	62.9%
				Native American	22	36.7%
				White	335	9.6%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		6.4%	7.7%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	25.3%	31.0%		Cost/month - infant	\$594	NA
African-American	15.3%	9.0%		Cost/month - preschool	\$459	NA
Asian	6.9%	7.9%		Child care centers:	2%	NA
Latino	24.1%	20.5%		% spaces for infants		2%
Native American	5.0%	6.7%				
White						
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		6,199	60.1%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	75%	81%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$85	\$101
						\$106
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$782	81.6%			
Two bedroom						

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**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%	
African-American	3.5%	2.4%	3.4%	
Asian	3.0%	1.8%	1.8%	
Latino	3.4%	3.2%	2.7%	
Native American	9.5%	4.2%	5.0%	
White	1.9%	1.3%	1.6%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.5%	5.4%	4.9%	
African-American	11.6%	11.8%	11.2%	
Asian	7.4%	7.4%	6.6%	
Latino	5.2%	4.3%	4.0%	
Native American	5.4%	6.9%	8.3%	
White	5.5%	5.6%	5.0%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	4.4	4.2	4.1	
African-American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Asian	5.0	0.0	4.4	
Latino	7.0	5.8	2.0	
Native American	0.0	13.9	0.0	
White	3.6	3.7	5.2	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	41.9	37.5	37.7	
African-American	70.0	52.2	43.8	
Asian	40.2	21.7	28.7	
Latino	128.5	120.0	113.1	
Native American	120.3	127.4	105.3	
White	23.7	20.7	22.4	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1995	1996	1997	Ages 0-5
Injuries				5	0
Deaths				5	0
Number of reports				7,184	
Rate (per 1,000)				67.1	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998	Percent
Injuries		73%		
Deaths			6	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	1998	Ages 0-5
Injuries		759	92	
Deaths		6	2	

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**Education**
**CLASSROOMS**

% eligible in Head Start		1996	1997	1998
Average class size		NA	49.2%	NA
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,161	\$4,621	\$4,991	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency		12%	12%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		60%	65%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		56%	62%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		8.1		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.3		

**Safety**

FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		1997	1998	Ages 0-5
All		3.9	3.7	
African-American		21.2	23.9	
Asian		0.9	0.7	
Latino		3.3	0.9	
Native American		19.9	12.7	
White		3.5	4.2	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>				
Number of reports		7,184		
Rate (per 1,000)		67.1		

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1995	1996	Ages 0-5
Injuries		5	0	
Deaths		5	0	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	1998	Ages 0-5
Injuries		759	92	
Deaths		6	2	

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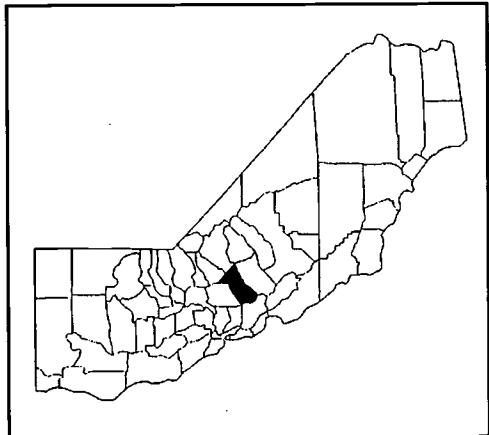
# Stanislaus County

## Demographics

<u>ETHNICITIES</u> (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	434,835	134,660	44,765	100%
African-American	8,267	2,935	1,009	2%
Asian	26,931	10,693	2,982	7%
Latino	108,454	45,128	17,687	40%
Native American	4,152	1,129	447	1%
White	287,031	74,775	22,640	51%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>6,790</b>		

## Family Economics

<u>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY</u> (1995)	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<u>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION</u> (1997)	Number	Percent
Percent	24.6%	27.9%	All	2,280	33.6%
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF</u> (1998)	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	39	24.7%
All	18.4%	20.7%	Asian	134	35.6%
African-American	52.4%	61.1%	Latino	1,559	52.6%
Asian	32.8%	23.3%	Native American	27	38.0%
Latino	19.0%	20.8%	White	521	16.3%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>			<b>CHILD CARE</b>		
Cost/month – infant			1996	1997	1998
Cost/month – preschool			\$520	NA	\$481
Child care centers:			\$390	NA	\$382
% spaces for infants			7%	NA	7%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>			1996	1997	1998
Percent cases with orders			70%	75%	77%
Money collected mo./case with order			\$87	\$91	\$92
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT</b> (1998)					
Two bedroom			\$562		
As percent of minimum wage			58.6%		



## County Highlights

Stanislaus County has a higher percentage of poor and very poor children compared to the state average. From 1995 to 1997, the county's percentage of infants born at low birth-weight increased each year as did the county's infant mortality rate. During that time period, the rate of births to teenagers declined. The county has a slightly higher rate of child abuse reports than the state average and a substantially lower rate of children in foster care.

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**Health**
**Education**
**Family Economics**

	1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>				
All	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	
African-American	3.6%	4.7%	3.8%	
Asian	4.3%	3.1%	2.7%	
Latino	4.7%	3.6%	4.5%	
Native American	9.6%	2.9%	1.4%	
White	3.5%	2.5%	2.6%	
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.9%	6.1%	6.6%	
African-American	9.5%	14.5%	16.5%	
Asian	7.5%	10.4%	9.8%	
Latino	5.5%	5.2%	6.2%	
Native American	8.4%	4.3%	2.8%	
White	5.7%	5.9%	6.2%	
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.9	6.8	7.1	
African-American	6.0	34.9	19.0	
Asian	4.6	7.3	8.0	
Latino	5.1	4.4	8.1	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	6.9	7.7	5.6	
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>	1995	1996	1997	
All	69.8	67.2	62.1	
African-American	83.6	105.1	82.4	
Asian	48.5	44.1	37.4	
Latino	124.1	121.0	111.7	
Native American	134.3	96.6	125.0	
White	44.5	42.1	39.9	
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>				
Percent	45%			

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**Stanislaus County Rankings**

	1996	1997	1998
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>			
% eligible in Head Start	NA	43.8%	NA
Average class size	29.4	28.3	28.0
Per pupil expenditure	\$3,955	\$4,246	\$4,627
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	18%	18%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	43%	47%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	43%	52%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	5.5		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)	1.5		
<b>Safety</b>			
Late/no prenatal care	20 / 49		
Low birthweight infants	37 / 49		
Infant mortality	24 / 37		
Teen births	39 / 52		
Mother's who initiate exclusive breastfeeding	39 / 55		

**Health**

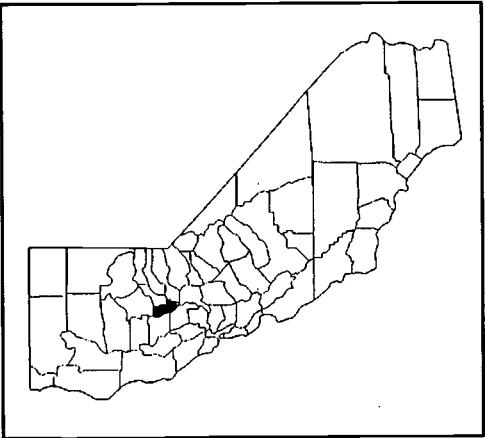
	1997	1998
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>		
All	5.0	4.4
African-American	23.4	19.6
Asian	0.8	0.7
Latino	4.1	3.1
Native American	0.9	0.0
White	5.4	5.3
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>		
Number of reports	11,743	89.6
Rate (per 1,000)		
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	15	2
Deaths	3	0
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	979	135
Deaths	6	0

	1997	1998
<b>PERCENT</b>	45%	
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>		
Percent	45%	

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# Sutter County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	78,003	22,208	7,442	100%	
African-American	1,355	386	124	2%	
Asian	8,256	2,739	1,032	14%	
Latino	14,385	5,671	2,073	28%	
Native American	905	205	68	1%	
White	53,102	13,207	4,145	56%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		1,210			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	22.7%	26.6%		All	388	32.1%
			Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	9	31.0%
			Ages 0-5	Asian	35	20.8%
				Latino	227	62.2%
				Native American	7	46.7%
				White	109	17.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996 1997 1998	
All	13.6%	15.6%		Cost/month - infant	\$490	NA
African-American	29.8%	38.7%		Cost/month - preschool	\$368	NA
Asian	7.5%	4.1%		Child care centers:	2%	NA
Latino	14.4%	17.6%		% spaces for infants	2,193	2%
Native American	19.0%	16.2%			67.3%	
White	13.9%	16.8%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>				<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996 1997 1998	
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	62%	68%
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$72	\$78
						\$77
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

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PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	7.3%	6.0%	6.9%	6.9%
African-American	5.6%	6.7%	6.9%	6.9%
Asian	8.5%	4.5%	4.2%	4.2%
Latino	9.6%	9.2%	9.6%	9.6%
Native American	26.7%	7.1%	20.0%	20.0%
White	5.4%	4.8%	5.7%	5.7%

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	6.0	7.9	6.6	
African-American	0.0	0.0	34.5	
Asian	0.0	0.0	17.9	
Latino	11.9	9.2	0.0	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	4.8	9.5	6.3	
TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	69.5	53.4	53.6	
African-American	80.0	60.0	78.4	
Asian	27.5	6.8	9.8	
Latino	118.6	90.8	93.1	
Native American	27.8	88.2	90.9	
White	61.1	48.0	46.3	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING	1997	39%
Percent		

## CLASSROOMS

<b>CLASSROOMS</b>	1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start	NA	39.2%	NA
Average class size	27.0	25.9	25.4
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,057	\$4,345	\$4,578
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency	20%	18%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.	41%	45%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.	34%	48%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			7.3
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			4.5

## Safety

<b>FOSTER CARE RATES</b> (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17		Ages 0-5	
All		9.3	10.3		
African-American		13.8	25.2		
Asian		2.7	0.0		
Latino		6.0	5.8		
Native American		29.3	32.8		
White		11.7	14.0		
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>					
Number of reports		2,121		Ages 0-5	
Rate (per 1,000)		98.5		Ages 0-17	
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>					
Injuries		0	0		
Deaths		0	0		
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>					
Injuries		126	16		
Deaths		1	0		

Family Economics

Children living in poverty (0-17)	32 / 58
Children living in poverty (0-4)	34 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-17)	24 / 58
Children receiving TANF (0-5)	24 / 58
Children receiving WIC assistance	20 / 58
Fair market rent as % of min. wage	8 / 58
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education	32 / 55
Child care cost/month—infant	7 / 38
Child care cost/month—preschool	14 / 52
Child care: % spaces for infants	42 / 47
Child support: % cases w/ orders	24 / 48
Child support: \$ collected	34 / 48

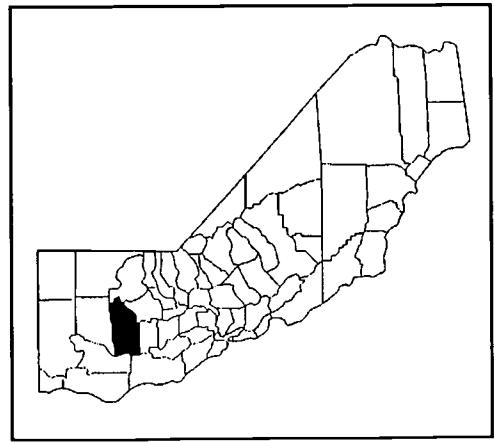
Education

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start	50 / 57
Average class size	22 / 58
Per pupil expenditure	55 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average	46 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average	42 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open	31 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs	8 / 56

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# Tehama County



## Demographics

<u>ETHNICITIES</u> (1998)	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	55,118	14,246	4,468	100%
African-American	311	75	23	1%
Asian	371	100	44	1%
Latino	7,192	3,179	1,278	29%
Native American	897	271	101	2%
White	46,347	10,621	3,022	68%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>	<b>627</b>			

## Family Economics

<u>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY</u> (1995)	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<u>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION</u> (1997)	Number	Percent
Percent	27.7%	29.9%	All	223	35.6%
<u>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF</u> (1998)	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	NS	NS
All	21.0%	25.0%	Asian	NS	NS
African-American	80.0%	60.9%	Latino	127	69.0%
Asian	29.0%	22.7%	Native American	6	60.0%
Latino	14.3%	15.9%	White	87	20.7%
Native American	17.7%	19.8%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
White	22.6%	28.9%	Cost/month—infant	\$390	NA
			Cost/month—preschool	\$286	NA
			Child care centers:	1%	NA
			% spaces for infants		1%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE</b> (1997—Ages 0-4)					
Number of participants	1,623				
Percent of all eligible	68.6%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT</b> (1998)					
Two bedroom	\$474				
As percent of minimum wage	49.5%				
			Percent cases with orders	63%	72%
			Money collected mo./	\$72	\$66
			case with order		\$78

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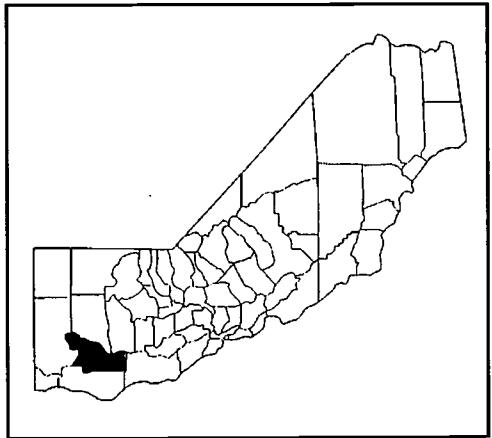
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Education						
		CLASSROOMS		1996 1997 1998		
All	5.4%	5.1%	4.8%	NA	56.5%	NA
African-American	NS	NS	NS	26.0	24.9	24.1
Asian	9.1%	11.1%	NS	\$4,234	\$4,648	\$5,044
Latino	7.5%	6.7%	9.8%			
Native American	0.0%	6.7%	10.0%			
White	4.5%	4.0%	2.6%			
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>
All	6.7%	5.1%	4.5%	NA	NA	NA
African-American	NS	NS	NS			
Asian	18.2%	0.0%	NS			
Latino	4.8%	6.7%	4.3%			
Native American	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%			
White	7.4%	4.7%	4.5%			
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>			
All	6.9	3.0	6.4			
African-American	NS	NS	NS			
Asian	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Latino	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0			
White	9.7	2.2	9.5			
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>			
All	67.6	57.7	53.5			
African-American	166.7	100.0	333.3			
Asian	95.2	87.0	0.0			
Latino	151.8	101.6	101.8			
Native American	166.7	100.0	129.0			
White	48.5	47.1	40.5			
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>						
Percent	54%					
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
<b>Family Economics</b>						
Children living in poverty (0-17)					48 / 58	
Children living in poverty (0-4)					47 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-17)					42 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-5)					43 / 58	
Children receiving WIC assistance					17 / 58	
Fair marker rent as % of min. wage					1 / 58	
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education					42 / 55	
Child care cost/month—infant					NA / 38	
Child care cost/month—preschool					17 / 52	
Child care: % spaces for infants					44 / 47	
Child support: % cases w/ orders					19 / 48	
Child support: \$ collected					40 / 48	
<b>Health</b>						
Late/no prenatal care					28 / 49	
Low birthweight infants					21 / 49	
Infant mortality					NR / 37	
Teen births					36 / 52	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding					35 / 58	
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>						
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)					6.6	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)					NA	
<b>Safety</b>						
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>						
All				14.1	12.1	
African-American				54.1	150.0	
Asian				20.6	0.0	
Latino				10.5	9.7	
Native American				63.0	66.0	
White				13.6	10.5	
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>						
Number of reports				2,041		
Rate (per 1,000)				141.7		
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>						
Injuries				0	0	
Deaths				0	0	
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>						
Injuries				136	17	
Deaths				5	1	

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# Trinity County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1996)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	13,240	3,013	798	100%	
African-American	59	11	5		1%
Asian	110	42	10		1%
Latino	489	122	24		3%
Native American	662	190	51		6%
White	11,920	2,648	708		89%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		100			

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent		25.6%	24.8%	All	25	25.0%
				African-American	NS	NS
				Asian	NS	NS
				Latino	NS	NS
				Native American	NS	NS
				White	23	26.1%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
All	19.3%	23.1%		Cost/month - infant	NA	NA
African-American	0.0%	NS		Cost/month - preschool	\$390	NA
Asian	7.1%	0.0%		Child care centers:	NA	NA
Latino	9.8%	8.3%		% spaces for infants	0%	
Native American	12.6%	17.6%				
White	20.5%	24.4%				
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 - Ages 0-4)</b>				<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	54%	NR
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./case with order	\$66	NR
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>						
Two bedroom						
As percent of minimum wage						

## County Highlights

Trinity County has a higher percentage of children receiving TANF than the state average, yet infants are somewhat more likely to be born to mothers with at least a high school education. Trinity's average class size is among the state's smallest and per pupil expenditures are among the highest. Third graders' math and reading scores are slightly above state average. The county's young child foster care rate is substantially below the state average.

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## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	3.3%	1.4%	3.0%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	NS	NS	NS	
Native American	NS	0.0%	NS	
White	3.5%	1.6%	2.3%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	8.1%	4.8%	5.0%	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	NS	NS	NS	
Native American	NS	0.0%	NS	
White	7.1%	4.7%	5.7%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	8.1	6.9	0.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	NS	NS	NS	
Latino	NS	NS	NS	
Native American	NS	0.0	NS	
White	8.8	7.8	0.0	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	34.1	37.3	42.0	
African-American	NS	NS	NS	
Asian	111.1	0.0	0.0	
Latino	0.0	0.0	62.5	
Native American	83.3	71.4	69.0	
White	31.3	38.0	41.0	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1995	1997	204.3
Percent	83%			
Injuries				
Deaths				

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries		2	0	
Deaths		0	0	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries	32	1		
Deaths	2	0		

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	57.1%	NA
Average class size		22.7	22.4	21.3
Per pupil expenditure	\$5,636	\$6,113	\$6,667	

STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		0%	0%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		48%	57%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		49%	57%	

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)	47.2	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		0.0		

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FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
All		11.2	4.9	
African-American		83.3	NS	
Asian		0.0	0.0	
Latino		24.0	37.0	
Native American		11.3	4.1	
White				

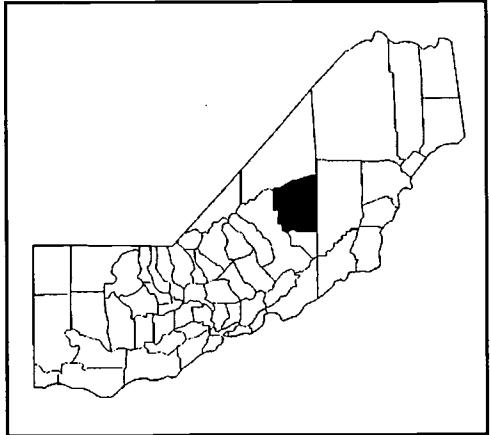
CHILD ABUSE (1996)		Number of reports	653	
Rate (per 1,000)				

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries		2	0	
Deaths		0	0	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	
Injuries	32	1		
Deaths	2	0		

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# Tulare County



## Demographics

ETHNICITIES (1998)		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	364,335	121,387	43,746	100%	
African-American	5,079	1,829	626	1%	
Asian	17,739	6,178	1,847	4%	
Latino	159,059	67,924	27,314	62%	
Native American	3,400	835	199	<1%	
White	179,058	44,621	13,760	31%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		6,934			

## Family Economics

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)		Number	Percent
Percent	37.3%	44.7%		All	3,218	46.4%	
				African-American	22	24.7%	
				Asian	92	45.1%	
				Latino	2,751	60.1%	
				Native American	17	35.4%	
				White	335	16.7%	
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>		1996 1997 1998	
All	25.3%	28.1%		Cost/month—infant	\$377	NA	\$458
African-American	57.4%	68.2%		Cost/month—preschool	\$295	NA	\$312
Asian	45.2%	36.9%		Child care centers:	1%	NA	1%
Latino	28.7%	30.5%		% spaces for infants			
Native American	14.7%	21.6%					
White	16.4%	20.3%					
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		15,216	62.1%				
Number of participants							
Percent of all eligible							
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$497	51.9%				
Two bedroom							
As percent of minimum wage							
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>		1996 1997 1998					
Percent cases with orders		56%	62%	70%			
Money collected mo./case with order		\$75	\$74	\$71			

## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.6%	5.5%	5.2%	
African-American	7.4%	4.3%	3.4%	
Asian	4.2%	4.6%	3.9%	
Latino	6.3%	6.3%	5.7%	
Native American	11.8%	6.3%	14.6%	
White	4.2%	3.9%	4.2%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.6%	5.7%	5.2%	
African-American	11.1%	11.8%	9.0%	
Asian	4.6%	9.5%	3.9%	
Latino	5.8%	5.5%	5.2%	
Native American	2.9%	6.3%	6.3%	
White	4.9%	5.2%	5.2%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	5.7	6.1	6.1	
African-American	9.3	0.0	33.7	
Asian	3.5	7.1	0.0	
Latino	6.6	6.3	6.6	
Native American	0.0	0.0	0.0	
White	4.1	6.1	4.5	

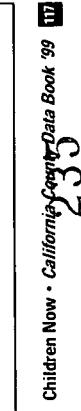
TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)				
	1995	1996	1997	
All	96.4	93.9	85.4	
African-American	96.6	100.0	72.4	
Asian	59.1	71.1	41.9	
Latino	142.7	136.2	130.4	
Native American	49.4	79.3	63.3	
White	50.9	49.6	41.1	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING				
	1997	1998	1999	
Percent	27%			
Injuries		17		
Deaths		3	0	

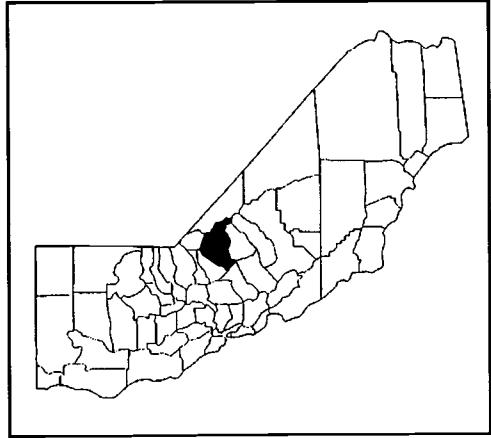
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)				
	1998	1999	2000	
Injuries		714	126	
Deaths		18	9	

Education				
	1996	1997	1998	
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>				
% eligible in Head Start		NA	44.5%	NA
Average class size		28.6	26.7	26.6
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,036	\$4,307	\$4,702	
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999	
Students with limited English Proficiency		25%	26%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		29%	36%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		32%	41%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			4.5	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			0.8	
<b>Safety</b>				
Late/no prenatal care				31 / 49
Low birthweight infants				22 / 49
Infant mortality				20 / 37
Teen births				52 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				55 / 58
<b>Education</b>				
Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start				35 / 57
Average class size				39 / 58
Per pupil expenditure				53 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average				57 / 58
Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average				55 / 58
Public libraries: Monthly hours open				46 / 58
Public libraries: Preschool programs				39 / 56
<b>Safety</b>				
Foster care rate (0-17)				47 / 57
Foster care rate (0-5)				33 / 48
Child abuse				30 / 58
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17)				20 / 55
Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5)				34 / 44

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# Tuolumne County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>		Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	53,231	10,801	2,986	100%	
African-American	1,608	73	21	1%	
Asian	401	100	33	1%	
Latino	4,198	900	301	10%	
Native American	811	166	43	1%	
White	46,213	9,562	2,588	87%	
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		467			

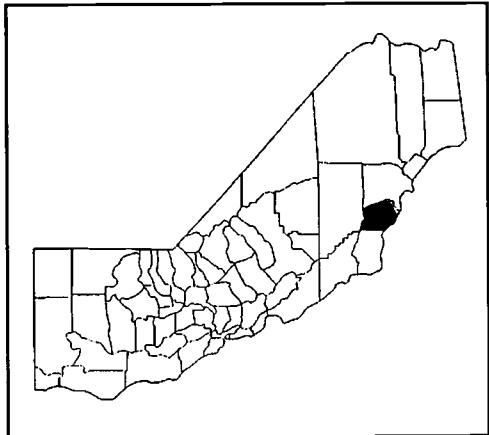
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<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>		Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	
Percent		17.6%	22.7%	All	Number
				African-American	83
				Asian	NS
				Latino	1
				Native American	14.3%
				White	15
					28.3%
					30.8%
					60
					15.5%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>		Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	
All	16.0%	20.9%		Cost/month - infant	1996 1997 1998
African-American	16.4%	9.5%		Cost/month - preschool	NA NA NA
Asian	12.0%	9.1%		Child care centers:	\$334 \$350 \$350
Latino	6.1%	8.0%		% spaces for infants	NA NA NA
Native American	16.9%	14.0%			0% 0% 0%
White	16.9%	22.7%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>		662	55.9%	<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	
Number of participants				Percent cases with orders	1996 1997 1998
Percent of all eligible				Money collected mo./	57% 65% 76%
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>		\$606	63.2%	case with order	\$69 \$74 \$91
Two bedroom					
As percent of minimum wage					

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# Ventura County



## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	735,963	206,064	71,758	100%
African-American	16,408	4,496	1,335	2%
Asian	44,594	12,375	4,182	6%
Latino	220,820	83,277	33,196	46%
Native American	3,575	754	240	<1%
White	450,566	105,162	32,805	46%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		11,281		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	13.8%	17.8%	All	3,075	27.3%
	Percent	Percent	African-American	21	11.9%
	Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5	Asian	34	5.7%
			Latino	2,779	51.8%
			Native American	9	22.0%
			White	229	4.9%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>			<b>CHILD CARE</b>		
All	6.7%	8.0%	Cost/month - infant	\$624	NA
African-American	15.8%	20.8%	Cost/month - preschool	\$412	NA
Asian	2.8%	2.9%	Child care centers:		
Latino	10.5%	11.1%	% spaces for infants		
Native American	8.0%	7.5%			
White	3.8%	5.0%			
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)</b>					
Number of participants	13,715				
Percent of all eligible	53.7%				
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom		\$781			
As percent of minimum wage	81.5%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>			1996	1997	1998
Percent cases with orders			60%	NA	NA
Money collected mo./			\$82	NA	NA
case with order					

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**Health**

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	2.5%	1.7%	1.8%	
African-American	3.6%	0.9%	3.4%	
Asian	1.3%	2.6%	1.0%	
Latino	3.7%	2.4%	2.6%	
Native American	5.4%	2.2%	0.0%	
White	1.3%	0.9%	1.0%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	5.3%	5.2%	5.8%	
African-American	10.3%	8.1%	11.3%	
Asian	5.3%	3.9%	7.0%	
Latino	5.1%	5.3%	5.7%	
Native American	2.7%	6.5%	7.3%	
White	5.3%	5.5%	5.7%	

INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	5.4	5.0	7.5	
African-American	13.5	23.7	5.6	
Asian	4.9	0.0	6.7	
Latino	5.6	6.5	9.1	
Native American	27.0	0.0	0.0	
White	5.4	3.5	6.6	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	52.6	48.0	44.7	
African-American	34.6	69.7	38.9	
Asian	13.1	17.9	10.9	
Latino	106.0	97.6	93.3	
Native American	41.7	21.9	55.1	
White	18.9	17.7	16.0	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1997	1998	1999
Percent	43%			
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		9	3	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		6	2	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		9	3	

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	45.2%	NA
Average class size		27.2	28.3	28.1
Per pupil expenditure		\$3,993	\$4,346	\$4,678
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		21%	21%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		55%	62%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		51%	63%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			5.0	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			0.8	
<b>Safety</b>				
Late/no prenatal care				1 / 49
Low birthweight infants				20 / 49
Infant mortality				19 / 37
Teen births				21 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				40 / 58

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### Education

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	45.2%	NA
Average class size		27.2	28.3	28.1
Per pupil expenditure		\$3,993	\$4,346	\$4,678
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		21%	21%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		55%	62%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		51%	63%	
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>				
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)			5.0	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)			0.8	
<b>Safety</b>				
Late/no prenatal care				1 / 49
Low birthweight infants				20 / 49
Infant mortality				19 / 37
Teen births				21 / 52
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding				40 / 58

### Health

FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		1997	1998	1999
All	3.1	2.7		
African-American	15.3	11.6		
Asian	0.5	0.2		
Latino	3.1	2.9		
Native American	4.0	4.3		
White	2.8	2.5		

CHILD ABUSE (1996)		1996	1997	1998
Number of reports		12,941		
Rate (per 1,000)		64.6		

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		9	3	

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		9	3	

GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		9	3	

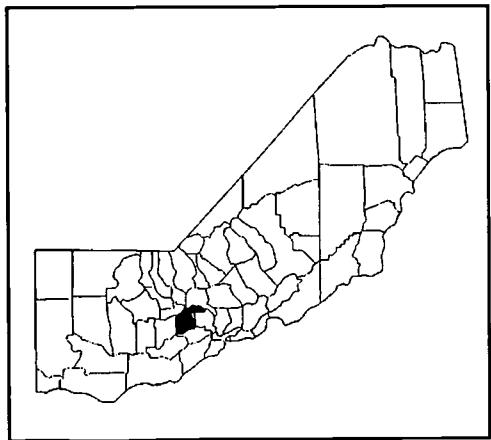
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Injuries		6	0	
Deaths		9	3	

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## Demographics

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	Total population	Children pop. (0-17)	Young child pop. (0-5)	Young child eth. diversity
All	157,717	40,483	13,835	100%
African-American	3,478	891	276	2%
Asian	15,191	3,662	1,236	9%
Latino	34,894	12,995	4,964	36%
Native American	1,865	498	178	1%
White	102,289	22,437	7,181	52%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>		<b>2,106</b>		

## Family Economics

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	Children Ages 0-17	Children Ages 0-4	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	Number	Percent
Percent	20.4%	22.7%	All	574	27.3%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	Percent Ages 0-17	Percent Ages 0-5	African-American	4	8.7%
All	16.3%	17.4%	Asian	40	24.4%
African-American	36.7%	45.7%	Latino	416	49.8%
Asian	23.0%	20.0%	Native American	6	26.1%
Latino	16.7%	18.6%	White	106	10.4%
<b>CHILD CARE</b>			<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
Cost/month – infant			Cost/month – infant	\$767	NA
Cost/month – preschool			Cost/month – preschool	\$524	NA
Child care centers:			Child care centers:	6%	NA
% spaces for infants			% spaces for infants		9%
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>			<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997
Percent cases with orders			Percent cases with orders	65%	63%
Money collected mo./			Money collected mo./	\$77	\$82
case with order			case with order		\$92

## County Highlights

Yolo County has one of the lowest rates of births to teens among the counties. Its rate of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care is among the lowest and its infant mortality rate is above the state average. Yolo children who qualify for the nutrition program WIC are among the most likely statewide to receive these benefits. Yolo has a higher than average percentage of child care spaces designated for infants.

**Health**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE</b>	9.0%	6.3%	6.1%
All	18.2%	13.0%	13.0%
African-American	4.1%	10.4%	10.4%
Asian	12.6%	8.3%	7.4%
Latino	13.0%	18.2%	4.3%
Native American	6.8%	4.5%	3.9%
White			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS</b>	5.1%	5.5%	5.9%
All	9.1%	10.9%	15.2%
African-American	8.8%	6.2%	3.7%
Asian	4.4%	5.1%	5.0%
Latino	13.0%	9.1%	0.0%
Native American	4.8%	5.4%	6.5%
White			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000)</b>	5.0	9.7	6.2
All	0.0	43.5	43.5
African-American	0.0	10.3	6.1
Asian	7.4	8.6	4.8
Latino	0.0	0.0	43.5
Native American	4.4	9.3	4.9
White			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)</b>	41.6	34.7	33.1
All	47.2	26.3	29.4
African-American	11.5	12.2	10.1
Asian	119.4	106.1	100.5
Latino	96.8	49.2	92.3
Native American	24.4	19.4	16.9
White			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING</b>	70%		
Percent			
Injuries			
Deaths			

	1995	1996	1997
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	168	2	19
Injuries			
Deaths			0

**Education**

	1995	1996	1997
<b>CLASSROOMS</b>			
% eligible in Head Start		NA	41.5%
Average class size		28.0	26.8
Per pupil expenditure		\$4,089	\$4,474
<b>STUDENT PROFICIENCY</b>	1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		21%	22%
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		54%	54%
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		47%	54%
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)</b>			
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		7.8	
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		1.5	

**Safety**

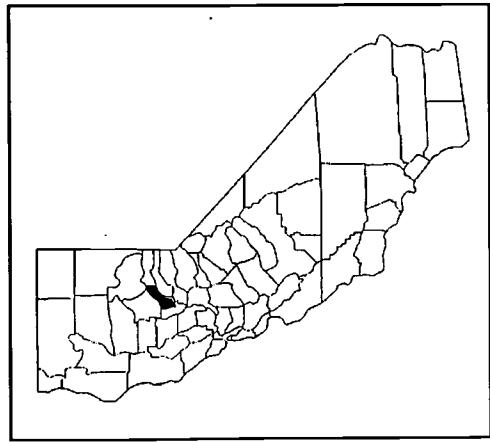
	1995	1996	1997
<b>FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)</b>			
All		8.1	9.9
African-American		46.0	84.6
Asian		2.6	3.4
Latino		5.9	5.8
Native American		38.5	48.2
White		8.0	10.0
<b>CHILD ABUSE (1996)</b>			
Number of reports		3,656	93.7
Rate (per 1,000)			

	1997	1998
<b>GUN INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1997)</b>	0	0
Injuries	3	0
Deaths		0

	1995	1996	1997
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES &amp; DEATHS (1998)</b>	168	2	19
Injuries			
Deaths			0

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# **Yuba County**



## **Demographics**

<b>ETHNICITIES (1998)</b>	<b>Total population</b>	<b>Children pop. (0-17)</b>	<b>Young child pop. (0-5)</b>	<b>Young child eth. diversity</b>
All	62,58	20,878	6,852	100%
African-American	2,385	865	238	3%
Asian	6,875	3,572	1,237	18%
Latino	8,276	3,291	1,182	17%
Native American	1,296	347	71	1%
White	43,326	12,803	4,124	60%
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)</b>				
		1,046		

## **Family Economics**

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)</b>	<b>Children Ages 0-17</b>	<b>Children Ages 0-4</b>	<b>BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH &lt;12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Percent	34.0%	29.5%	All	403	38.5%
			African-American	10	34.5%
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)</b>	<b>Percent Ages 0-17</b>	<b>Percent Ages 0-5</b>	Asian	96	70.6%
All	30.1%	32.1%	Latino	131	60.9%
African-American	20.8%	39.5%	Native American	NS	NS
Asian	63.1%	51.3%	White	161	25.0%
Latino	19.8%	27.2%	<b>CHILD CARE</b>	1996	1997
Native American	13.0%	25.4%	Cost/month – infant	NA	NA
White	24.6%	27.4%	Cost/month – preschool	\$325	NA
<b>CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997 – Ages 0-4)</b>					NA
Number of participants	2,509	57.6%	Child care centers:	NA	NA
Percent of all eligible			% spaces for infants	NA	0%
<b>FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)</b>					
Two bedroom	\$479				
As percent of minimum wage	50.0%				
<b>CHILD SUPPORT</b>	1996	1997	1998		
Percent cases with orders	41%	47%	45%		
Money collected mo./case with order	\$40	\$42	\$42		

## Health

LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE		1995	1996	1997
All	8.6%	8.1%	8.9%	
African-American	4.8%	10.0%	6.9%	
Asian	6.5%	5.6%	5.1%	
Latino	13.5%	11.3%	9.8%	
Native American	15.8%	4.8%	15.0%	
White	7.9%	7.7%	9.3%	

PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS		1995	1996	1997
All	6.0%	5.9%	7.0%	
African-American	4.8%	13.3%	10.3%	
Asian	4.0%	5.6%	6.6%	
Latino	4.2%	6.4%	7.0%	
Native American	10.5%	0.0%	0.0%	
White	7.0%	5.6%	7.1%	

INFANT MORTALITY : RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	8.4	4.6	8.6	
African-American	23.8	0.0	0.0	
Asian	5.0	6.3	14.7	
Latino	0.0	9.8	0.0	
Native American	52.6	0.0	0.0	
White	9.6	3.0	10.9	

TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000)		1995	1996	1997
All	99.5	86.5	69.2	
African-American	150.7	50.0	64.5	
Asian	161.4	109.8	83.3	
Latino	98.9	109.3	82.1	
Native American	76.9	92.3	28.6	
White	88.8	78.3	65.3	

MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING		1995	1997	33%
Percent				

MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		1995	1997	2000
Injuries		104	0	0
Deaths		0	0	0

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## Yuba County Rankings

### Education

CLASSROOMS		1996	1997	1998
% eligible in Head Start		NA	27.6%	NA
Average class size		28.2	27.4	26.1
Per pupil expenditure	\$4,140	\$4,524	\$5,080	
STUDENT PROFICIENCY		1997	1998	1999
Students with limited English Proficiency		23%	23%	NA
% of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg.		42%	46%	
% of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg.		29%	41%	
PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998)		1997	1998	1999
Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children)		2.3		
Preschool programs (Per 100 young children)		0.7		

Safety		1997	1998
FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000)		Ages 0-5	Ages 0-5
All	12.4	13.5	
African-American	6.8	12.3	
Asian	0.6	0.0	
Latino	7.7	10.5	
Native American	8.4	18.5	
White	17.2	18.3	
CHILD ABUSE (1996)			
Number of reports		3,469	
Rate (per 1,000)		169.9	
GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries		3	0
Deaths		0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998)		Ages 0-17	Ages 0-5
Injuries	104	20	
Deaths	0	0	

Family Economics		1997	1998
Children living in poverty (0-17)		55 / 58	
Children living in poverty (0-4)		46 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-17)		58 / 58	
Children receiving TANF (0-5)		55 / 58	
Fair market rent as % of min. wage		8 / 58	
Mothers w/ <12 yrs education		47 / 55	
Child care cost/month—infant		NA / 38	
Child care cost/month—preschool		9 / 52	
Child care: % spaces for infants		47 / 47	
Child support: % cases w/ orders		45 / 48	
Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding		50 / 58	

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# Data Explanations & Sources

## Demographics

The population information includes the total population for each county, the number of children ages 0-17, the number of children ages 0-5 and the ethnic diversity of children ages 0-5. It also includes the number of births per county for 1997.

Source: California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 1970-2040, December 1998*. Birth data obtained from California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

## Family Economics

**Children living in poverty:** Percent of children ages 0-17 and ages 0-4 living in poverty. In 1995, the most recent year for available data, the Federal Poverty Level for a family of four was estimated at \$15,150.

Source: United States Bureau of the Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program, February 1999. Poverty estimates for children ages 0-4 were calculated by subtracting estimates for children ages 0-17 from estimates for children 5-17. This calculation results in an estimate for children ages 0-4 that includes children 5-17 in foster care in poverty.

available data, it is not currently possible to extract this population (children 5-17 in foster care in poverty) from children ages 0-4 living in poverty. In 1995, about 91,000 children were in foster care in California. The Federal Poverty Level, also referred to as the Federal Poverty Guidelines, is issued each year in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

**Children receiving TANF:** Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) is a cash assistance program to help children and families in times of need. In 1999, the maximum annual cash grant was \$7,152 - \$7,512 for a family of three (depending on their county of residence) or about half of the Federal Poverty Level for a family of that size. This indicator shows the number and percentage of children ages 0-17 and ages 0-5 in each county who received TANF assistance in July 1998.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Medical Care Statistics Section.

**Children receiving WIC assistance:** Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is a federal assistance program administered by the California Department of Health Services, WIC Supplemental Nutrition Branch. To be eligible for the program, families must have incomes at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level. In 1997, the year

for which data is available, the Federal Poverty Level for a four-person family was \$16,050. This indicator shows the number and percent of all eligible children ages 0-4 receiving WIC assistance. Due to estimate calculation, some small population counties reflect more children participating in WIC program than number eligible. This may not reflect actual circumstances.

Source: California Department of Health Services, WIC Supplemental Nutrition Branch.

**Fair market rent:** The gross rent estimate (including utilities, except telephone) for a modest two bedroom apartment, published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, *Federal Register, Part IV, Vol. 63, No. 190, October 1, 1998*.

**Fair market rent as percent of minimum wage:** The current minimum wage in California is \$5.75 per hour. A \$958 monthly salary is the gross income from working at \$5.75 per hour, 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year. This indicator calculates the fair market rent as a percent of the monthly minimum wage salary.

**Babies born to mothers with less than 12 years education:** The number and percentage of live California births which were to mothers (all ages) with less than 12 years of education.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

technical and data preparation assistance from National Center for Youth Law.

**Child care costs:** The average monthly cost of full-time care for a child under 2 years of age (infant care) and for a child 2-5 years old (preschool) in a licensed child care center.

**Child care center spaces for infants:** The percentage of all spaces in child care centers which are licensed to serve infants under the age of two. In California, licensed child care centers account for 68% of the regulated child care capacity; the remaining 32% is through family child care homes.

Source: California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, *The California Child Care Portfolio, 1999*.

**Child support:** The percentage of 1995-96 through 1997-98 child support cases which had orders to pay and the average amount of money which was collected monthly from those orders. It is important to note that cases without orders in place also represent children who are awaiting child support.

Source: California Department of Social Services, Child Support Management Information System, *Annual Report* (1995-96 through 1997-98). Calculations made by Children Now, with

must have incomes at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level. In 1998, the Federal Poverty Level for a four-person family was \$16,450.

### Additional Family Economics Indicators

**Median yearly income:** Represents a 1998 median yearly income estimate, based upon 1995 data and adjusted for inflation through 1998.

Source: Compiled and calculated by California Child Care Resource and Referral Network from United States Bureau of the Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates program, February 1999. See also California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, *The California Child Care Portfolio, 1999*.

**Unemployment rate:** This indicator represents the 1998 monthly average percentage of the California civilian labor force not employed and actively looking for work.

Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, Information Services, February 1999.

**Low-income children:** The percentage of K-12 students enrolled in either public or private schools and eligible for free or reduced-cost meals. To be eligible for the program, families

Source: California Department of Education, Child Nutrition Division, *Free and Reduced Meals Information report, 1998-1999*. Compiled by California Food Policy Advocates.

### Health

**Percentage of births with late or no prenatal care:** The percentage of live births to mothers of all ages who did not receive prenatal care until the third trimester or who received no prenatal care.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research and Vital Statistics Section.

**Percentage of low birthweight infants:** The percentage of all live births with birthweights less than 2500 grams (5.5 lbs.).

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

**Infant mortality rate:** The number of infants who die within the first year of life per 1,000 live births.

<p>Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.</p> <p><b>Teen birth rate:</b> The number of births to female teenagers ages 15 through 19 per 1,000 females of that age group.</p>	<p><b>Education</b></p> <p><b>Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds enrolled in Head Start:</b> Head Start is a federally funded comprehensive preschool program for low-income children. To be eligible for the program, families must have incomes at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. In 1997, the year for which data is available, the Federal Poverty Level for a four-person family was \$16,050. This indicator represents the percent of all eligible children 3-4 years old enrolled in Head Start.</p>	<p>(ADA). These county per-pupil expenditure figures include slightly different costs than the per-pupil expenditures reported for state-by-state comparisons.</p> <p>Source: California Department of Education, School Business Services Division.</p>
<p>Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.</p> <p><b>Percent of mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding:</b> Breastfeeding reduces health care costs by reducing the incidence of ovarian and cervical cancer, certain childhood cancers, ear infections and other illnesses. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that breastfeeding continue for at least 12 months, and thereafter for as long as mutually desired.</p>	<p><b>Average class size:</b> The enrollment in classes divided by the number of classes. It excludes special education classes, classes with zero enrollment and classes with enrollment over 50.</p>	<p>Source: United States Department of Health and Human Services, Head Start Bureau, <i>Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs, Fiscal Year 1997</i>.</p>
<p>Data is self-reporting by new mothers who were asked, before discharge, if they intended to breastfeed only, use formula only or supplement breastfeeding with formula. The "total" breastfeeding rate includes those who are breastfeeding exclusively and those supplementing breastfeeding with formula.</p>	<p><b>Reading and math scores:</b> This indicator represents the percent of 3rd grade children scoring at or above the 50th National Percentile Rank (NPR). Children whose reading and math scores are above the 50th NPR are scoring above 50 percent of a sample of children ("national norming sample") across the United States who completed the same exam for their grade level in 1995. In 1998, second through eleventh grade students in California's 8,000 schools began taking the Stanford Achievement Test, Version 9 (SAT-9) in the spring as part of the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program.</p>	<p>Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.</p>
<p>Source: California Department of Health Services, Maternal and Child Health Branch.</p>	<p><b>Per pupil expenditure:</b> The current expenditures for education (including general fund items such as certificated salaries, classified salaries, employee benefits, books and supplies, equipment replacement and services and direct support) divided by the total average daily attendance</p>	<p>Source: California Department of Education, Standardized Achievement Test and Reporting Program, 1998, 1999.</p>

**Public libraries:** This indicator represents the number of total hours all public libraries are accessible to patrons as a percent of all children.

Also shown is the number of preschool programs per 100 preschool children. Generally, any child age 0-5 is allowed to participate in library preschool programs. Please note, Sierra county contracts with Plumas for some library services.

Plumas county data includes Sierra county data. Please refer to Plumas county for available Sierra county library services information.

Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.

#### Safety

**Child abuse:** The number of reports of child sexual, physical and emotional abuse, as well as neglect, exploitation and caretaker incapacity per 1,000 children.

Source: Department of California Highway Patrol, Information Services Unit.

**Additional Education Indicators**

**High school dropout rate:** The percentage of public school 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students who leave school in one year and do not notify the school of a change of residence.

Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.

**Graduates prepared for college:** The percentage of public high school twelfth-grade graduates who have completed the courses required for entrance into the University of California and California State University systems.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Injury Surveillance and Epidemiology Section.

**Motor vehicle injuries and deaths:** The number of injuries and fatalities to children ages 0-17 and ages 0-5 from motor vehicle accidents.

#### **Comments on Ranking Methodology**

Of the 31 indicators presented in this book, 27 of them are ranked so that counties can compare themselves to each other and to state averages. Where available, the ranks are based on three-year averages. For indicators in which the universe of possible incidents is limited, several factors were considered to determine which counties can not be ranked reliably: the standard deviation of the data, the rate variation between years and total number of incidents. If the average rate can not be considered reliable, the county is eliminated from the ranking. When counties have the same rate or number for an indicator, they receive the same rank. Additionally, for privacy reasons, statistics in which the population base is less than seven are not shown (NS).

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	White	Latino	Asian	African-American	Native American	White	Latino	Asian	African-American	Native American	Total
CALIFORNIA	3,769,068	3,847,685	1,056,688	702,441	50,286	9,426,168	313,184	99,285	14,538	1,732	768,293
Alameda	134,273	86,654	76,541	73,407	1,588	372,463	49,546	7,022	1,692	426	451
Alpine	112	18	4	0	95	229	3,682	437	35	57	171
Amador	5,440	721	48	134	108	6,451	215,611	175,268	18,981	26,272	3,576
Butte	38,086	6,355	3,339	889	880	49,549	184,342	56,110	43,994	40,124	3,225
Calaveras	7,828	794	81	43	189	8,935	6,162	7,716	266	72	36
Colusa	2,484	3,099	80	12	80	5,755	San Bernardino	244,058	212,418	25,946	52,157
Contra Costa	130,508	44,555	31,481	26,817	968	234,329	San Diego	372,871	267,313	73,212	56,355
Del Norte	5,229	981	319	29	616	7,174	San Francisco	40,667	32,083	55,636	20,089
El Dorado	31,874	4,820	996	187	372	38,249	San Joaquin	73,648	52,285	30,580	10,277
Fresno	83,791	121,515	35,477	14,462	2,025	257,270	San Luis Obispo	39,897	11,425	1,298	1,024
Glenn	4,657	2,808	679	25	146	8,315	San Mateo	72,982	54,516	39,418	8,625
Humboldt	25,128	2,297	1,279	301	2,495	31,500	Santa Barbara	47,281	49,312	4,720	2,663
Imperial	6,788	38,966	522	692	352	47,320	Santa Clara	169,964	141,621	113,015	16,463
Inyo	2,928	794	61	15	574	4,372	Santa Cruz	36,133	24,546	2,290	733
Kern	98,693	87,923	6,332	12,840	1,558	207,346	Shasta	37,286	2,898	1,716	403
Kings	16,302	17,147	1,632	2,128	328	37,537	Sierra	624	58	2	2
Lake	10,885	1,794	126	342	385	13,532	Siskiyou	8,415	1,208	134	179
Lassen	5,886	907	69	74	257	7,193	Solano	57,659	20,146	16,767	16,534
Los Angeles	602,300	1,615,545	302,330	277,669	5,801	2,803,645	Sonoma	80,138	21,942	4,435	2,230
Madera	14,613	18,014	463	893	314	34,297	Stanislaus	74,775	45,128	10,693	2,935
Marin	37,261	8,429	2,993	1,635	110	50,428	Sutter	13,207	5,671	2,739	386
Mariposa	3,048	277	25	14	122	3,486	Tehama	10,621	3,179	100	75
Mendocino	15,862	4,849	292	157	1,257	22,417	Trinity	2,648	122	42	11
Merced	27,011	30,701	10,125	2,839	273	70,949	Tulare	44,621	67,924	6,178	1,829
Modoc	1,863	403	11	13	126	2,416	Tuolumne	9,562	900	100	73
Mono	1,888	592	35	11	119	2,645	Ventura	105,162	83,277	12,375	4,496
Monterey	41,246	62,671	7,149	5,570	470	117,106	Yolo	22,437	12,995	3,662	891
Napa	18,718	8,508	1,123	423	159	28,931	Yuba	12,803	3,291	3,572	865
Nevada	18,010	1,553	193	36	193	19,985					347

Source: California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit

# California Children

1998, Ages 0-5

	White	Latino	Asian	African-American	Native American	Total	White	Latino	Asian	African-American	Native American	Total	
CALIFORNIA	1,178,909	1,562,203	370,593	235,540	16,067	3,363,312	Orange	113,809	140,430	36,663	4,991	612	296,505
Alameda	43,087	34,812	27,999	24,668	536	131,102	Placer	15,067	2,581	630	127	148	18,553
Alpine	18	4	2	0	34	58	Plumas	885	117	14	10	41	1,067
Amador	1,541	189	22	8	31	1,791	Riverside	62,806	71,502	6,907	9,123	1,283	151,621
Butte	11,132	2,325	1,318	299	251	15,325	Sacramento	59,862	21,240	16,046	13,950	972	112,070
Calaveras	2,072	245	31	12	54	2,414	San Benito	1,954	2,988	108	23	10	5,083
Colusa	707	1,229	26	5	24	1,991	San Bernardino	72,043	85,144	9,516	17,544	992	185,239
Contra Costa	40,527	17,115	10,253	8,930	231	77,056	San Diego	122,203	113,771	27,554	19,820	1,383	284,731
Del Norte	1,486	312	103	8	193	2,102	San Francisco	15,672	12,307	19,450	6,389	114	53,932
El Dorado	8,648	1,908	387	42	100	11,085	San Joaquin	22,408	20,208	9,173	3,825	406	56,020
Fresno	26,000	47,301	11,761	5,309	695	91,066	San Luis Obispo	11,349	4,324	452	211	67	16,403
Glenn	1,392	1,062	241	7	40	2,742	San Mateo	24,562	21,086	14,254	2,432	156	62,490
Humboldt	7,346	786	373	87	825	9,417	Santa Barbara	14,252	20,381	1,697	788	129	37,247
Imperial	1,868	14,261	152	216	16	16,513	Santa Clara	55,603	56,234	42,294	5,344	370	159,845
Inyo	771	341	27	3	186	1,328	Santa Cruz	10,353	10,423	745	168	56	21,745
Kern	29,983	35,397	2,329	4,527	452	72,688	Shasta	10,926	960	513	116	454	12,969
Kings	5,287	6,749	594	705	109	13,444	Sierra	109	11	2	0	0	122
Lake	3,063	636	44	115	137	3,995	Siskiyou	2,269	478	44	35	128	2,954
Lassen	1,616	322	24	25	77	2,064	Solano	17,523	7,096	5,518	5,392	201	35,730
Los Angeles	192,264	652,944	102,105	92,937	1,794	1,042,044	Sonoma	22,868	9,020	1,439	652	400	34,379
Madera	4,315	7,437	162	303	124	12,341	Stanislaus	22,640	17,687	2,982	1,009	447	44,765
Marin	11,471	3,731	1,067	484	31	16,784	Sutter	4,145	2,073	1,032	124	68	7,442
Mariposa	853	97	10	7	27	994	Tehama	3,022	1,278	44	23	101	4,468
Mendocino	4,279	1,898	99	29	430	6,735	Trinity	708	24	10	5	51	798
Merced	8,029	11,833	3,226	944	73	24,105	Tulare	13,760	27,314	1,847	626	199	43,746
Modoc	521	154	6	1	35	717	Tuolumne	2,588	301	33	21	43	2,986
Mono	468	260	11	1	23	763	Ventura	32,805	33,196	4,182	1,335	240	71,758
Monterey	12,513	26,463	2,226	1,158	104	42,464	Yolo	7,181	4,964	1,236	276	178	13,835
Napa	5,338	3,541	319	106	62	9,366	Yuba	4,124	1,182	1,237	238	71	6,852
Nevada	4,818	531	54	7	53	5,463							

Source: California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit

# Children Living in Poverty 1995

	Children 0-17	% Children 0-17	Rank 0-17	Children 0-4	% Children 0-4	Rank 0-4	Children 0-17	% Children 0-17	Rank 0-17	Children 0-4	% Children 0-4	Rank 0-4	
CALIFORNIA	2,214,535	24.3%	850,772	28.6%	17	Orange	115,952	16.4%	16	48,917	21.1%	19	
Alameda	61,084	17.3%	19	22,137	19.6%	17	Placer	6,268	10.3%	3	2,423	13.7%	5
Alpine	93	28.5%	50	24	27.4%	38	Plumas	1,094	19.3%	25	347	23.2%	28
Amador	934	13.2%	9	310	16.5%	12	Riverside	86,989	19.7%	27	33,351	22.7%	26
Butte	13,409	26.7%	43	4,607	30.1%	49	Sacramento	78,926	24.5%	37	27,189	26.9%	35
Calaveras	1,756	17.1%	18	551	19.5%	16	San Benito	2,344	15.4%	15	834	17.6%	13
Colusa	1,308	21.3%	30	486	27.1%	36	San Bernardino	124,005	22.9%	34	46,074	25.7%	31
Contra Costa	29,600	12.3%	6	11,123	15.0%	7	San Diego	165,161	22.7%	32	67,513	28.2%	42
Del Norte	2,128	26.7%	43	630	27.7%	40	San Francisco	26,549	20.6%	29	9,101	22.3%	21
El Dorado	5,067	11.6%	5	1,751	13.5%	4	San Joaquin	46,657	27.2%	46	15,863	29.1%	44
Fresno	92,425	36.3%	57	34,619	42.2%	56	San Luis Obispo	9,326	16.7%	17	3,456	20.1%	18
Glenn	2,274	26.0%	42	772	29.2%	45	San Mateo	15,814	9.6%	2	6,118	11.2%	3
Humboldt	8,336	24.2%	36	2,691	27.2%	37	Santa Barbara	19,210	19.3%	25	7,355	22.3%	22
Imperial	16,493	33.4%	53	7,104	49.5%	58	Santa Clara	55,673	13.4%	11	20,163	15.1%	8
Inyo	900	18.9%	23	316	23.5%	29	Santa Cruz	11,031	17.8%	22	4,267	21.7%	20
Kern	58,499	27.8%	49	22,630	33.2%	52	Shasta	11,470	24.0%	35	3,881	27.6%	39
Kings	10,846	28.6%	51	3,784	30.9%	50	Sierra	102	10.6%	4	27	9.6%	1
Lake	4,106	29.1%	52	1,237	30.1%	48	Siskiyou	3,249	25.8%	41	1,038	32.6%	51
Lassen	1,407	17.5%	20	482	22.4%	23	Solano	15,508	13.5%	12	5,783	16.4%	11
Los Angeles	875,324	33.7%	54	346,593	39.6%	55	Sonoma	15,018	13.3%	10	5,579	16.0%	9
Madera	9,937	27.6%	47	3,570	33.2%	53	Stanislaus	34,372	24.6%	38	12,233	27.9%	41
Marin	4,169	8.6%	1	1,521	9.9%	2	Sutter	5,365	22.7%	32	1,907	26.6%	34
Mariposa	748	19.0%	24	254	22.5%	24	Tehama	4,358	27.7%	48	1,368	29.9%	47
Mendocino	6,103	24.9%	39	2,047	29.1%	43	Trinity	972	25.6%	40	250	24.8%	30
Merced	25,638	35.6%	56	8,859	38.4%	54	Tulare	47,181	37.3%	58	17,419	44.7%	57
Modoc	755	26.9%	45	199	26.1%	32	Tuolumne	2,266	17.6%	21	762	22.7%	25
Mono	359	12.7%	7	139	14.4%	6	Ventura	29,450	13.8%	14	11,800	17.8%	14
Monterey	23,937	22.1%	31	9,646	26.4%	33	Yolo	8,290	20.4%	28	2,961	22.7%	27
Napa	3,874	13.0%	8	1,458	16.2%	10	Yuba	7,279	34.0%	55	2,141	29.5%	46
Nevada	3,145	13.6%	13	1,110	18.0%	15							

Source: Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program. Bureau of the Census. Population as of July 1996. These estimates were released in February 1999. Note: Poverty estimate for children under age 5 includes children 5-17 in foster care.

# Children Receiving TANF

1996-1998 percent of child population ages 0-17 receiving Temporary Aid to Needy Families

	1996-1998 children 0-17	Avg. #	1996-1998 % children 0-17	1996-1998 Rank	1996 % children 0-17	1997 % children 0-17	1998 % children 0-17	1996-1998 children 0-17		1996-1998 Avg. #		1996-1998 % children 0-17		1996-1998 children 0-17	
								1996	1997	1998	1996	1997	1998	1996	1997
CALIFORNIA	1,613,321	17.5%	19.8%	17.6%	15.2%	16.3%	14.0%	Orange	64,758	8.7%	10	10.5%	8.7%	7.0%	
Alameda	58,960	16.3%	28	18.7%	26.2%	21.4%	21.4%	Placer	4,368	7.6%	5	9.3%	7.7%	6.0%	
Alpine	68	28.7%	52	37.8%	10.8%	9.4%	9.4%	Plumas	683	15.2%	25	17.7%	15.1%	12.8%	
Amador	667	10.3%	14	30.3%	27.6%	25.1%	25.1%	Riverside	68,980	16.1%	27	18.6%	16.4%	13.5%	
Butte	13,644	27.7%	49	18.2%	17.1%	14.0%	14.0%	Sacramento	91,753	28.4%	50	30.4%	28.7%	26.2%	
Calaveras	1,444	16.4%	29	11.2%	9.3%	9.3%	9.3%	San Benito	1,552	11.3%	18	14.2%	11.3%	8.7%	
Colusa	619	11.0%	17	12.5%	13.4%	12.0%	10.5%	San Bernardino	118,017	22.4%	41	25.5%	22.7%	19.0%	
Contra Costa	27,626	12.0%	19	34.3%	32.8%	27.8%	27.8%	San Diego	109,602	14.6%	23	17.3%	14.7%	11.9%	
Del Norte	2,245	31.6%	56	22.1%	19.8%	18.8%	18.8%	San Francisco	17,589	12.1%	20	14.4%	11.9%	9.9%	
El Dorado	3,090	8.2%	6	9.8%	8.0%	6.7%	6.7%	San Joaquin	44,375	26.9%	47	29.7%	26.8%	24.1%	
Fresno	76,251	29.9%	54	32.7%	29.7%	27.4%	27.4%	San Luis Obispo	5,446	10.3%	13	12.0%	10.5%	8.5%	
Glenn	1,660	20.2%	36	23.7%	21.5%	19.5%	19.5%	Santa Barbara	11,267	11.0%	16	12.6%	10.9%	9.6%	
Humboldt	6,829	21.6%	37	29.6%	27.2%	24.2%	24.2%	Santa Clara	43,593	10.1%	12	12.7%	10.1%	7.6%	
Imperial	12,590	27.0%	48	17.7%	16.7%	13.6%	13.6%	Santa Cruz	5,946	9.4%	11	11.2%	9.6%	7.6%	
Inyo	703	16.0%	26	26.0%	23.4%	21.2%	21.2%	Shasta	10,798	24.9%	45	27.1%	25.4%	22.2%	
Kern	47,903	23.5%	43	23.5%	20.4%	16.6%	16.6%	Sierra	80	10.8%	15	11.2%	10.4%	10.7%	
Kings	7,423	20.1%	35	34.8%	31.8%	28.5%	28.5%	Siskiyou	2,681	25.1%	46	28.4%	25.8%	21.1%	
Lake	4,247	31.7%	57	25.1%	21.7%	19.6%	19.6%	Solano	15,115	13.6%	22	14.9%	13.8%	12.2%	
Lassen	1,564	22.1%	39	20.0%	22.1%	20.2%	20.2%	Sonoma	9,229	8.5%	9	10.4%	8.8%	6.4%	
Los Angeles	550,951	20.0%	34	19.7%	33	22.0%	17.9%	Stanislaus	28,904	21.8%	38	24.8%	22.2%	18.4%	
Madera	8,201	24.6%	44	26.7%	24.5%	22.5%	22.5%	Sutter	3,289	15.0%	24	16.4%	15.2%	13.6%	
Marin	2,189	4.4%	1	5.2%	4.5%	3.6%	3.6%	Tehama	3,319	23.2%	42	25.7%	22.9%	21.0%	
Mariposa	650	18.5%	31	20.0%	19.0%	16.4%	16.4%	Trinity	692	22.3%	40	26.4%	20.8%	19.3%	
Mendocino	4,407	19.7%	33	22.0%	19.9%	17.3%	17.3%	Tulare	34,348	28.6%	51	32.0%	28.6%	25.3%	
Merced	21,982	31.4%	55	35.4%	31.8%	27.1%	27.1%	Tuolumne	1,983	18.2%	30	20.3%	18.4%	16.0%	
Modoc	706	28.8%	53	32.7%	27.2%	26.5%	26.5%	Ventura	16,911	8.3%	7	9.8%	8.4%	6.7%	
Mono	176	6.6%	3	6.8%	6.9%	6.2%	6.2%	Yolo	7,499	18.9%	32	21.3%	19.1%	16.3%	
Monterey	14,823	13.2%	21	15.5%	13.2%	11.0%	11.0%	Yuba	6,986	33.8%	58	38.1%	33.3%	30.1%	
Napa	2,081	7.3%	4	9.1%	7.2%	5.6%	5.6%								
Nevada	1,671	8.4%	8	10.6%	8.2%	6.4%	6.4%								

Source: Department of Health Services, Medical Care Statistics Section. Note: Data represents children receiving TANF for July 1996, July 1997 and July 1998.

# Children Receiving TANF

1996-1998 percent of child population ages 0-5 receiving Temporary Aid to Needy Families

	1996-1998 Avg. # children 0-5	1996-1998 % children 0-5	1996-1998 Rank	1996 % children 0-5	1997 % children 0-5	1998 % children 0-5	1996-1998		1996-1998		1996-1998	
							1996-1998 children 0-5	1996-1998 Avg. # children 0-5	1996-1998 % children 0-5	1996-1998 Rank	1996-1998 % children 0-5	1996-1998 Rank
CALIFORNIA	657,554	19.3%	22	22.3%	19.3%	16.3%	Orange	26,524	8.9%	3	11.0%	8.7%
Alameda	22,863	17.5%	54	20.7%	17.4%	14.4%	Placer	1,766	9.7%	5	12.4%	9.6%
Alpine	23	36.8%	54	50.8%	33.9%	24.1%	Plumas	258	23.7%	33	29.4%	22.7%
Amador	257	14.5%	19	15.2%	15.2%	13.1%	Riverside	29,157	19.3%	25	22.5%	19.4%
Butte	5,179	33.6%	52	38.2%	33.8%	28.8%	Sacramento	36,106	31.9%	48	35.0%	32.2%
Calaveras	504	21.0%	27	24.8%	21.2%	17.1%	San Benito	653	13.3%	15	17.2%	13.1%
Colusa	272	13.9%	17	16.2%	13.5%	11.9%	San Bernardino	49,085	26.2%	39	30.7%	26.7%
Contra Costa	11,096	14.3%	18	16.5%	14.2%	12.2%	San Diego	44,495	15.6%	21	18.9%	15.6%
Del Norte	821	39.2%	58	44.6%	40.0%	32.9%	San Francisco	6,489	11.7%	12	14.1%	11.7%
El Dorado	1,161	10.4%	8	12.4%	10.2%	8.7%	San Joaquin	16,942	30.0%	44	34.0%	29.9%
Fresno	30,073	32.4%	51	36.0%	31.8%	29.3%	San Luis Obispo	2,207	13.5%	16	16.0%	13.5%
Glenn	628	23.0%	31	25.8%	22.5%	20.6%	San Mateo	3,566	5.7%	2	7.9%	5.6%
Humboldt	2,514	26.2%	38	29.7%	26.1%	22.7%	Santa Barbara	4,910	13.0%	14	14.7%	12.8%
Imperial	4,602	27.4%	40	30.0%	27.3%	24.7%	Santa Clara	17,509	10.9%	10	14.2%	10.8%
Inyo	302	22.5%	29	24.8%	23.7%	19.1%	Santa Cruz	2,526	11.3%	11	13.1%	11.4%
Kern	20,483	27.9%	42	31.4%	27.5%	24.9%	Shasta	4,054	31.1%	47	34.5%	31.6%
Kings	3,160	23.5%	32	27.6%	23.5%	19.2%	Sierra	31	24.9%	36	25.4%	27.3%
Lake	1,548	38.1%	57	42.2%	37.2%	34.6%	Siskiyou	882	30.3%	45	35.5%	31.9%
Lassen	649	32.2%	50	37.9%	31.3%	27.7%	Solano	6,380	17.5%	23	19.7%	17.6%
Los Angeles	229,008	21.4%	28	24.0%	21.5%	18.6%	Sonoma	3,667	10.6%	9	13.1%	10.9%
Madera	3,720	30.6%	46	33.6%	30.0%	28.3%	Stanislaus	11,258	25.1%	37	29.0%	25.5%
Marin	887	5.2%	1	6.2%	5.4%	4.1%	Sutter	1,327	17.7%	24	19.8%	17.5%
Mariposa	231	22.6%	30	23.3%	23.5%	20.8%	Tehama	1,285	28.6%	43	32.6%	28.1%
Mendocino	1,656	24.5%	35	27.9%	24.2%	21.2%	Trinity	227	27.7%	41	34.5%	25.3%
Merced	8,544	35.1%	53	40.3%	35.5%	29.4%	Tulare	14,050	32.2%	49	36.5%	32.0%
Modoc	261	37.4%	56	48.2%	33.7%	30.5%	Tuolumne	725	24.0%	34	26.4%	24.6%
Mono	71	8.9%	4	10.6%	7.9%	8.1%	Ventura	7,377	10.2%	7	12.3%	10.2%
Monterey	6,549	15.5%	20	18.4%	15.3%	12.9%	Yolo	2,906	21.0%	26	24.3%	21.1%
Napa	910	9.8%	6	12.5%	9.7%	7.1%	Yuba	2,572	36.9%	55	42.4%	36.0%
Nevada	647	11.9%	13	15.6%	11.2%	9.0%						32.1%

Source: Department of Health Services, Medical Care Statistics Section. Note: Data represents children receiving TANF for July 1996, July 1997 and July 1998.

# Children & Infants Receiving WIC 1997-1998

	Number of participants ages 0-4	% child ages 0-4 eligible	1997-1998 Rank	Number of participants ages 0-4	% child ages 0-4 eligible	1997-1998 Rank
CALIFORNIA	942,858	68.4%		72,301	71.3%	12
Alameda	23,967	60.6%	35	1,926	52.1%	51
Alpine	54	150.0%	1	430	84.3%	5
Amador	338	58.8%	40	36,464	57.8%	41
Butte	4,760	64.0%	28	24,019	56.4%	46
Calaveras	351	42.0%	56	1,469	79.7%	9
Colusa	812	70.4%	15	San Bernardino	52.7%	50
Contra Costa	11,677	68.1%	19	77,621	64.9%	26
Del Norte	871	80.4%	6	San Francisco	74.4%	11
El Dorado	1,462	48.4%	54	San Joaquin	57.2%	44
Fresno	18,505	36.7%	58	San Luis Obispo	48.6%	53
Glenn	1,152	78.2%	10	San Mateo	61.3%	33
Humboldt	2,497	56.4%	45	Santa Barbara	65.6%	24
Imperial	5,034	61.3%	34	Santa Clara	42.7%	55
Inyo	514	71.0%	14	Santa Cruz	60.2%	36
Kern	43,781	116.0%	3	Shasta	57.3%	43
Kings	3,088	49.6%	52	Sierra	125.0%	2
Lake	1,365	65.8%	23	Siskiyou	62.4%	30
Lassen	563	64.0%	29	Solano	55.1%	48
Los Angeles	385,940	80.2%	8	Sonoma	60.1%	37
Madera	4,431	64.6%	27	Stanislaus	61.8%	32
Marin	1,414	40.2%	57	Stutter	67.3%	20
Mariposa	231	59.8%	39	Tehama	1,623	68.6%
Mendocino	2,197	60.0%	38	Trinity	297	17
Merced	9,529	71.2%	13	Tulare	2,193	31
Modoc	261	65.4%	25	Tuolumne	662	47
Mono	220	68.5%	18	Ventura	13,715	53.7%
Monterey	13,752	66.3%	22	Yolo	5,291	99.1%
Napa	2,258	80.2%	7	Yuba	2,509	42
Nevada	1,097	68.7%	16		57.6%	

Source: WIC Branch, DHS. Note: 1) Participation data as of June 1998. Eligibility data is for July 1997-June 1998 State fiscal year. 2) Due to estimate calculation, some small population counties reflect more children participating in WIC program than number eligible. This may not represent actual circumstances.

# Fair Market Rent

1998

	2 Bedroom Apartments	FMR as % of no. minimum wage income	Rank	2 Bedroom Apartments	FMR as % of no. minimum wage income	Rank
CALIFORNIA	n/a	84.7%	50	Orange	89.5%	53
Alameda	\$812	53.2%	15	Placer	67.6%	35
Alpine	\$510	63.8%	33	Plumas	49.5%	1
Amador	\$611	57.8%	23	Riverside	61.3%	30
Butte	\$554	58.5%	24	Sacramento	67.6%	35
Calaveras	\$561	49.5%	1	San Benito	69.4%	39
Colusa	\$474	84.7%	50	San Bernardino	61.3%	30
Contra Costa	\$812	58.5%	24	San Diego	72.1%	41
Del Norte	\$561	67.6%	35	San Francisco	103.0%	55
El Dorado	\$648	55.6%	20	San Joaquin	60.6%	29
Fresno	\$533	49.5%	1	San Luis Obispo	74.5%	44
Glenn	\$474	58.9%	27	San Mateo	103.0%	55
Humboldt	\$564	54.6%	17	Santa Barbara	88.9%	52
Imperial	\$523	56.3%	22	Santa Clara	103.0%	55
Inyo	\$540	52.1%	13	Santa Cruz	102.8%	54
Kern	\$499	52.8%	14	Shasta	53.2%	15
Kings	\$506	60.0%	28	Sierra	51.9%	11
Lake	\$575	50.6%	10	Siskiyou	49.5%	1
Lassen	\$485	76.9%	47	Solano	74.2%	42
Los Angeles	\$737	55.6%	20	Sonoma	81.6%	49
Madera	\$533	103.0%	55	Stanislaus	58.6%	26
Marin	\$987	55.4%	19	Sutter	50.0%	8
Mariposa	\$531	64.3%	34	Tehama	49.5%	1
Mendocino	\$616	55.1%	18	Trinity	49.5%	1
Merced	\$528	49.5%	1	Tulare	51.9%	11
Modoc	\$474	76.4%	45	Tuolumne	63.2%	32
Mono	\$732	76.5%	46	Ventura	81.5%	48
Monterey	\$733	74.2%	42	Yolo	68.0%	38
Napa	\$711	71.6%	40	Yuba	50.0%	8
Nevada	\$686					

Source: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Note: n/a = Not available.

# Babies Born to Mothers

with less than 12 Yrs. Education, 1995-1997

	Avg. # born to women less than 12 yrs. ed	1995-1997 Avg. rate	1995-1997 Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	Avg. # born to women less than 12 yrs. ed	1995-1997 Avg. rate	1995-1997 Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	
CALIFORNIA	176,710	32.8%	33.6%	33.1%	31.8%	31.8%	15,994	33.3%	37	33.5%	33.9%	32.5%	
Alameda	3,968	19.1%	12	19.6%	18.4%	18.4%	305	11.1%	1	11.6%	10.9%	10.7%	
Alpine	4	46.4%	NR	54.5%	30.0%	57.1%	Plumas	29	18.2%	NR	21.4%	23.0%	10.3%
Amador	41	15.1%	5	13.0%	16.3%	15.9%	Riverside	7,651	32.3%	33	32.5%	32.5%	31.9%
Butte	693	28.7%	29	29.3%	28.2%	28.6%	Sacramento	4,298	23.9%	22	25.2%	23.3%	23.1%
Calaveras	57	16.6%	8	16.5%	16.9%	16.5%	San Benito	302	36.5%	44	35.8%	39.7%	34.2%
Colusa	156	50.6%	55	49.2%	51.3%	51.5%	San Bernardino	9,889	33.8%	38	34.0%	34.2%	33.2%
Contra Costa	2,031	16.4%	7	16.9%	16.8%	15.6%	San Diego	11,940	26.7%	25	27.4%	26.8%	25.9%
Del Norte	106	32.9%	35	33.5%	31.8%	33.3%	San Francisco	1,799	21.5%	19	21.7%	21.7%	20.9%
El Dorado	266	15.8%	6	15.4%	16.2%	15.8%	San Joaquin	2,867	32.4%	34	34.6%	32.3%	30.3%
Fresno	6,536	44.7%	51	45.5%	44.8%	43.9%	San Luis Obispo	540	21.2%	18	21.1%	21.5%	21.0%
Glenn	189	43.2%	49	44.1%	43.9%	41.7%	San Mateo	2,006	20.0%	16	19.7%	20.4%	20.0%
Humboldt	303	20.0%	14	21.6%	20.5%	17.9%	Santa Barbara	2,207	37.7%	46	37.0%	38.2%	37.7%
Imperial	855	34.1%	40	34.7%	33.6%	34.0%	Santa Clara	5,518	20.9%	17	21.4%	21.3%	20.2%
Inyo	65	29.9%	30	34.3%	26.7%	27.9%	Santa Cruz	1,211	34.8%	41	36.2%	35.3%	32.8%
Kern	4,145	35.8%	43	37.8%	35.2%	34.1%	Shasta	463	22.8%	20	22.6%	23.2%	22.7%
Kings	812	37.6%	45	37.7%	38.3%	36.7%	Sierra	3	19.6%	NR	13.0%	6.3%	50.0%
Lake	171	28.2%	28	29.0%	30.5%	24.8%	Siskiyou	97	20.0%	15	20.7%	19.2%	20.2%
Lassen	59	19.3%	13	22.5%	20.5%	15.2%	Solano	999	17.6%	10	17.5%	18.2%	17.2%
Los Angeles	69,003	40.9%	48	42.2%	41.3%	39.2%	Sonoma	1,356	24.9%	23	24.0%	25.2%	25.4%
Madera	953	47.7%	53	48.3%	47.8%	47.1%	Stanislaus	2,406	34.0%	39	34.5%	33.8%	33.6%
Marin	367	13.9%	2	12.4%	14.6%	14.7%	Sutter	361	30.8%	32	31.3%	29.0%	32.1%
Mariposa	22	14.8%	4	17.2%	14.9%	11.9%	Tehama	236	34.9%	42	33.4%	35.9%	35.6%
Mendocino	276	26.1%	24	26.5%	25.0%	26.6%	Trinity	28	23.1%	21	25.2%	20.0%	25.0%
Merced	1,688	44.5%	50	45.6%	44.5%	43.4%	Tulare	3,432	48.4%	54	50.4%	48.3%	46.4%
Modoc	19	17.1%	9	16.4%	17.5%	17.3%	Tuolumne	84	17.7%	11	19.5%	15.8%	17.8%
Mono	41	32.9%	36	33.8%	30.8%	33.9%	Ventura	3,177	27.2%	26	26.6%	27.8%	27.3%
Monterey	3,077	45.8%	52	46.5%	45.3%	45.4%	Yolo	602	28.0%	27	28.4%	28.4%	27.3%
Napa	454	30.5%	31	31.5%	29.8%	30.1%	Yuba	442	39.9%	47	41.5%	39.6%	38.5%
Nevada	113	14.0%	3	11.2%	14.7%	16.3%							

Source: Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Percentage refers to percentage of infants born to women with less than 12 years education. NR = Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

# Child Care

Infant slots and monthly costs 1998

	% Infant slots	Infant % slots Rank	Infant care Dollars	Infant care Rank	Preschool care Rank		Infant care Dollars	Infant care Rank	Preschool care Dollars	Preschool care Rank
					Preschool care Rank	Preschool care Rank				
CALIFORNIA	4%	651	\$467	31	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Alameda	6%	12	\$704	31	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Alpine	0%	47	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Amador	2%	40	\$390	5	\$294	4	4%	23	\$562	22
Butte	8%	5	\$467	13	\$314	8	4%	23	\$634	29
Calaveras	4%	31	\$360	3	\$325	11	15%	2	NA	NA
Colusa	4%	22	NA	NA	\$294	3	4%	25	\$507	17
Contra Costa	4%	20	\$749	35	\$553	47	3%	34	\$599	26
Del Norte	0%	47	NA	NA	\$225	1	3%	33	\$922	38
El Dorado	6%	9	\$440	8	\$407	30	5%	17	\$486	16
Fresno	5%	15	\$543	20	\$407	31	1%	45	\$322	2
Glenn	0%	47	NA	NA	\$350	18	5%	16	\$835	36
Humboldt	4%	24	\$456	10	\$372	23	3%	36	\$669	30
Imperial	6%	10	\$360	3	\$324	10	7%	7	\$901	37
Inyo	0%	47	NA	NA	\$405	29	6%	11	\$717	33
Kern	5%	18	\$461	12	\$333	15	4%	26	\$480	14
Kings	1%	46	\$450	9	\$297	5	0%	47	NA	NA
Lake	6%	13	\$524	19	\$418	34	2%	41	NA	NA
Lassen	0%	47	NA	NA	NA	NA	4%	27	NA	NA
Los Angeles	4%	29	\$595	24	\$461	43	2%	37	\$593	23
Madera	4%	30	\$319	1	\$300	6	7%	6	\$481	15
Marin	8%	4	\$745	34	\$622	51	2%	42	\$439	7
Mariposa	0%	47	NA	NA	\$260	2	1%	44	NA	NA
Mendocino	2%	39	NA	NA	\$398	27	0%	47	NA	NA
Merced	4%	32	NA	NA	\$333	16	1%	43	\$458	11
Modoc	0%	47	NA	NA	NA	NA	0%	47	NA	NA
Mono	17%	1	NA	NA	\$400	28	4%	28	\$598	25
Monterey	5%	14	\$621	27	\$443	41	9%	3	\$625	28
Napa	4%	19	\$391	6	\$419	35	0%	47	NA	NA
Nevada	3%	35	\$523	18	\$389	26			\$314	9

Source: "The 1998 California Child Care Portfolio," California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, San Francisco, CA (Publication forthcoming). Note: NA = Not available.

# Child Support

percent cases with orders

	1996-1998			1996-1998			1996-1998			1996-1998			1996-1998			1996-1998		
	Avg. child support cases w/ order	% child support cases w/ order	Rank	Avg. child support cases w/ order	% child support cases w/ order	Rank	Avg. child support cases w/ order	% child support cases w/ order	Rank	Avg. child support cases w/ order	% child support cases w/ order	Rank	Avg. child support cases w/ order	% child support cases w/ order	Rank	Avg. child support cases w/ order	% child support cases w/ order	Rank
California	1,183,921	56.4%	48.1%	58.5%	64.5%	Orange	84,557	58.3%	36	51.1%	59.8%	64.0%						
Alameda	52,241	86.5%	2	82.9%	88.9%	NR	4,998	35.0%	47	43.9%	36.2%	25.2%						
Alpine		NR		78.2%	NR	NR	757	NR		NR	54.0%	NR						
Amador	1,664	78.1%	10	75.2%	71.5%	Riverside	78,228	56.1%	39	51.2%	56.6%	61.5%						
Butte	10,730	49.6%	41	42.4%	51.1%	Sacramento	37,869	46.4%	44	38.5%	49.6%	52.4%						
Calaveras	2,080	63.1%	29	54.8%	62.0%	San Benito	2,608	59.2%	35	53.9%	61.1%	62.6%						
Colusa	994	64.8%	27	57.9%	56.3%	San Bernardino	53,371	34.7%	48	25.2%	40.6%	39.5%						
Contra Costa	40,813	60.3%	33	54.5%	63.8%	San Diego	80,066	44.1%	46	29.1%	41.0%	63.9%						
Del Norte	2,480	48.2%	42	70.0%	47.4%	San Francisco	28,417	79.3%	8	78.4%	78.7%	80.8%						
El Dorado	8,970	83.0%	5	77.7%	85.0%	San Joaquin	32,296	68.8%	21	63.9%	71.5%	71.5%						
Fresno	64,853	77.0%	13	70.9%	77.8%	San Luis Obispo	NR	NR		85.3%	NR	NR						
Glenn	1,558	65.1%	26	69.8%	62.8%	San Mateo	15,045	59.4%	34	51.1%	58.0%	71.8%						
Humboldt	6,569	77.6%	11	76.3%	76.9%	Santa Barbara	22,595	84.1%	4	76.2%	87.4%	89.0%						
Imperial	8,219	78.6%	9	73.1%	81.4%	Santa Clara	51,157	63.9%	28	55.9%	63.9%	73.6%						
Inyo		NR		NR	80.5%	NR	NR	5,569	57.8%	37	45.2%	65.5%	66.5%					
Kern	47,765	75.1%	15	66.0%	78.1%	Shasta	15,714	71.9%	17	76.5%	67.9%	71.9%						
Kings	8,974	76.8%	14	73.7%	76.6%	Sierra	159	88.3%	1	90.4%	87.8%	86.9%						
Lake		NR		NR	50.7%	NR	NR	4,114	77.6%	12	75.5%	77.2%	80.3%					
Lassen	1,438	66.6%	23	73.9%	71.6%	Siskiyou	NR	NR		18,025	63.0%	30	56.1%	63.9%	69.3%			
Los Angeles	262,634	47.6%	43	34.7%	52.0%	Sonoma	18,737	79.7%	7	75.4%	81.2%	82.8%						
Madera	5,985	70.6%	18	68.3%	70.4%	Stanislaus	27,910	73.9%	16	70.0%	75.1%	76.5%						
Marin	3,843	84.7%	3	86.2%	84.3%	Sutter	5,296	66.0%	24	62.1%	67.8%	68.5%						
Mariposa		NR		NR	61.5%	NR	NR	4,475	69.8%	19	62.7%	72.3%	75.3%					
Mendocino	NA	NA	NR	NR	60.0%	NA	NA	NR	NR	NR	54.2%	NR	NR					
Merced	14,677	82.3%	6	81.7%	83.7%	Tulare	29,600	62.5%	32	55.8%	61.8%	70.0%						
Modoc	668	51.0%	40	54.7%	51.2%	Tuolumne	3,345	65.3%	25	57.1%	65.0%	75.5%						
Mono		NR		NR	39.6%	NR	NR	NA	NA	NA	60.3%	NA	NA					
Monterey	15,335	57.3%	38	49.6%	60.8%	Yolo	8,665	63.0%	31	64.7%	63.3%	61.0%						
Napa	4,294	66.7%	22	64.9%	62.3%	Yuba	6,430	44.3%	45	41.5%	46.8%	45.0%						
Nevada	5,393	69.8%	20	66.7%	69.9%													

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# Child Support

collection per cases with orders

	1996-1998				1996-1998				1996-1998				1996-1998				1996-1998				
	Avg. child support cases w/ order of support	collection per cases w/orders per month	Rank	1996-1998	collections per cases w/orders per month	Rank	1996-1998	collections per cases w/orders per month	Rank	1996-1998	collections per cases w/orders per month	Rank	1996-1998	collections per cases w/orders per month	Rank	1996-1998	collections per cases w/orders per month	Rank	1996-1998	collections per cases w/orders per month	Rank
California	1,183,921	\$88		\$78	\$91		\$95	\$81		\$84,557	\$81		\$74	\$79		\$79	\$89		\$84,557	\$81	
Alameda	52,241	\$103	11	\$103	\$102	105	\$105	NR	NR	\$159	2	\$111	\$151		2	\$151		\$250	NR	\$150	
Alpine	NR	NR		NR	\$102		NR	NR		4,998			NR	NR		NR	NR		NR	NR	
Amador	1,664	\$100	14	\$99	\$110	92	\$92	Riverside		78,228	\$60	46	\$50	\$60		\$69	\$69		\$129	\$128	
Butte	10,730	\$79	31	\$84	\$79	75	\$75	Sacramento		37,869	\$126	5	\$121	\$129		\$129	\$128				
Calaveras	2,080	\$75	35	\$70	\$77	79	\$79	San Benito		2,608	\$74	37	\$69	\$75		\$75	\$76				
Colusa	994	\$83	25	\$89	\$90	74	\$74	San Bernardino		53,371	\$94	18	\$110	\$89		\$89	\$89				
Contra Costa	40,813	\$77	33	\$66	\$73	92	\$92	San Diego		80,066	\$80	29	\$78	\$87		\$87	\$77				
Del Norte	2,480	\$92	19	\$69	\$87	135	\$135	San Francisco		28,417	\$74	38	\$71	\$72		\$72	\$77				
El Dorado	8,970	\$88	21	\$82	\$88	94	\$94	San Joaquin		32,296	\$81	26	\$71	\$84		\$84	\$89				
Fresno	64,853	\$75	36	\$73	\$75	78	\$78	San Luis Obispo		3,187	NR	NR	NR	\$116		\$116	NR				
Glenn	1,558	\$79	30	\$66	\$84	90	\$90	San Mateo		15,045	\$117	8	\$108	\$119		\$119	\$122				
Humboldt	6,569	\$135	4	\$130	\$146	129	\$129	Santa Barbara		22,595	\$68	45	\$64	\$69		\$69	\$70				
Imperial	8,219	\$104	10	\$82	\$118	110	\$110	Santa Clara		51,157	\$100	15	\$92	\$99		\$99	\$107				
Inyo	1,257	NR		NR	\$89	NR	NR	Santa Cruz		5,569	\$146	3	\$133	\$153		\$153	\$150				
Kern	47,765	\$69	44	\$57	\$79	71	\$71	Shasta		15,714	\$70	43	\$65	\$70		\$70	\$73				
Kings	8,974	\$81	28	\$72	\$82	89	\$89	Sierra		159	\$124	7	\$110	\$138		\$138	\$125				
Lake	2,515	NR		NR	\$83	NR	NR	Siskiyou		4,114	\$85	23	\$73	\$85		\$85	\$97				
Lassen	1,438	\$102	13	\$93	\$97	118	\$118	Solano		18,025	\$86	22	\$78	\$86		\$86	\$93				
Los Angeles	262,634	\$70	42	\$71	\$63	75	\$75	Sonoma		18,737	\$98	16	\$85	\$101		\$101	\$106				
Madera	5,985	\$96	17	\$90	\$99	98	\$98	Stanislaus		27,910	\$90	20	\$87	\$91		\$91	\$92				
Marin	3,843	\$169	1	\$149	\$169	188	\$188	Sutter		5,296	\$76	34	\$72	\$78		\$78	\$77				
Mariposa	638	NR		NR	\$113	NR	NR	Tehama		4,475	\$72	40	\$72	\$69		\$69	\$74				
Mendocino	NA	NA		NA	\$104	NA	NA	Trinity		688	NR	NR	NR	\$66		\$66	NR				
Merced	14,677	\$105	9	\$94	\$108	112	\$112	Tulare		29,600	\$73	39	\$75	\$75		\$75	\$71				
Modoc	668	\$53	47	\$42	\$59	62	\$62	Tuolumne		3,345	\$78	32	\$69	\$74		\$74	\$91				
Mono	169	NR		NR	\$133	NR	NR	Ventura		NA	NA	NA	NA	\$82		\$82	NA				
Monterey	15,335	\$103	12	\$100	\$102	106	\$106	Yolo		8,665	\$83	24	\$77	\$82		\$82	\$92				
Napa	4,294	\$125	6	\$115	\$150	115	\$115	Yuba		6,430	\$42	48	\$40	\$42		\$42	\$42				
Nevada	5,393	\$71	41	\$62	\$72	\$78															

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# Median Yearly Income & Unemployment

1998

	Yearly Income Dollars	Rank	Unemployment Rate	Yearly Income Dollars		Rank	Unemployment Rate	Unemployment Rank
				Yearly Income Dollars	Rank			
CALIFORNIA	\$38,979	9	5.9%	Orange	5	\$51,631	2.9%	3
Alameda	\$47,339	10	4.1%	Placer	7	\$49,496	4.1%	10
Alpine	\$30,206	43	9.5%	Plumas	39	\$32,610	10.1%	38
Amador	\$37,792	23	5.4%	Riverside	20	\$38,366	6.7%	23
Butte	\$29,927	46	8.3%	Sacramento	19	\$38,846	5.0%	15
Calaveras	\$34,663	31	8.8%	San Benito	14	\$42,119	10.4%	40
Colusa	\$29,716	48	20.8%	San Bernardino	21	\$37,874	5.6%	19
Contra Costa	\$56,247	3	3.6%	San Diego	16	\$39,479	3.5%	6
Del Norte	\$29,794	47	10.3%	San Francisco	15	\$40,131	3.7%	8
El Dorado	\$45,224	10	4.9%	San Joaquin	29	\$35,345	10.5%	41
Fresno	\$32,848	37	14.3%	San Luis Obispo	22	\$37,830	4.2%	12
Glenn	\$27,875	52	13.5%	San Mateo	4	\$54,023	2.4%	2
Humboldt	\$30,181	44	7.2%	Santa Barbara	18	\$39,108	4.4%	13
Imperial	\$23,537	58	25.7%	Santa Clara	1	\$56,708	3.2%	4
Inyo	\$32,057	40	7.3%	Santa Cruz	13	\$43,038	7.3%	25
Kern	\$34,119	33	12.1%	Shasta	38	\$32,612	9.1%	34
Kings	\$30,042	45	13.7%	Sierra	36	\$32,878	11.9%	44
Lake	\$27,007	54	9.3%	Siskiyou	50	\$28,019	12.6%	47
Lassen	\$36,079	27	9.3%	Solano	8	\$48,098	5.6%	19
Los Angeles	\$35,863	28	6.5%	Sonoma	12	\$43,484	3.3%	5
Madera	\$33,548	34	12.8%	Stanislaus	25	\$36,655	12.2%	46
Marin	\$56,471	2	2.3%	Sutter	32	\$34,614	15.7%	56
Mariposa	\$31,104	42	7.8%	Tehama	51	\$27,897	8.7%	32
Mendocino	\$31,882	41	7.9%	Trinity	55	\$26,687	13.0%	49
Merced	\$28,757	49	15.1%	Tulare	53	\$27,495	15.6%	55
Modoc	\$26,635	56	11.1%	Tuolumne	35	\$33,355	7.9%	28
Mono	\$34,863	30	8.1%	Ventura	6	\$49,780	5.6%	19
Monterey	\$36,534	26	10.8%	Yolo	24	\$37,763	5.4%	16
Napa	\$43,867	11	4.0%	Yuba	57	\$26,462	13.4%	50
Nevada	\$39,346	17	5.5%		18			

 Yearly Income Source: "The 1999 California Child Care Portfolio," California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, San Francisco, CA (Publication forthcoming).  
 Unemployment Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division.

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# Low Income Children

Subsidized School Meals, 1997-1999

	Avg. school eligible	1997-1999		1997-1999		1996-1997		1996-1998		1998-1999		1997-99 Avg. school eligible	1997-1999 % children eligible	1997-99 Rank	1996-1997 % children eligible	1998-1999 % children eligible
		1997-1999 % children eligible	1997-99 Rank	1997-1999 % children eligible	1997-1999 % children eligible	1996-1997 % children eligible	1996-1998 % children eligible	1998-1999 % children eligible	1996-1997 % children eligible	1998-1999 % children eligible	1996-1997 % children eligible					
CALIFORNIA	2,698,713	48.0%	47.6%	48.0%	48.3%	36.7%	37.9%	35.1%	35.1%	38.0%	38.2%	170,934	38.0%	25	38.2%	37.7%
Alameda	76,110	36.5%	21	37.9%	35.1%	80.5%	78.9%	81.8%	81.8%	18.5%	18.3%	8,973	18.5%	3	18.3%	19.1%
Alpine	119	80.4%	58	80.5%	78.9%	28.8%	28.1%	27.8%	27.8%	37.4%	38.0%	1,347	37.4%	24	38.0%	38.5%
Amador	1,352	28.2%	10	44.6%	44.7%	44.6%	44.7%	43.3%	43.3%	50.2%	49.9%	141,611	50.2%	39	49.9%	50.5%
Butte	14,636	44.2%	29	33.0%	34.9%	57.3%	57.3%	62.1%	64.3%	45.5%	45.1%	91,202	45.5%	31	45.1%	44.9%
Calaveras	2,194	33.0%	17	34.9%	33.7%	34.9%	34.9%	30.4%	30.4%	32.3%	31.7%	3,316	32.3%	16	35.1%	31.7%
Colusa	2,552	61.3%	53	57.3%	57.3%	60.9%	60.9%	61.2%	64.3%	50.3%	49.8%	175,639	50.3%	40	49.8%	50.0%
Contra Costa	41,996	28.2%	9	27.6%	28.7%	23.0%	23.0%	28.3%	28.3%	46.1%	46.2%	209,503	46.1%	32	47.2%	46.2%
Del Norte	2,432	47.3%	36	46.3%	47.8%	23.9%	23.9%	24.3%	24.3%	30.0%	30.0%	34,904	30.0%	49	52.2%	51.2%
El Dorado	6,626	23.7%	5	52	60.9%	60.9%	60.9%	61.2%	61.2%	53.761	53.761	53,761	49.8%	38	51.0%	50.1%
Fresno	105,414	60.7%	52	55.5%	55.5%	55.5%	55.5%	58.5%	58.5%	32.0%	32.0%	11,469	32.0%	14	31.6%	32.3%
Glenn	3,365	57.2%	48	39.2%	38.9%	66.8%	66.8%	68.9%	68.9%	30.7%	30.7%	24,744	27.1%	7	28.0%	28.5%
Humboldt	7,564	38.6%	26	56	56	56	56	56.7%	56.7%	25,385	40.8%	25,385	40.8%	27	41.0%	40.6%
Imperial	21,479	67.6%	11	30.1%	29.4%	53.7%	53.7%	54.7%	54.7%	76,212	30.7%	76,212	30.7%	12	30.8%	30.8%
Inyo	1,011	29.7%	44	44	44	44	44	57.1%	57.1%	14,469	37.0%	14,469	37.0%	23	37.7%	37.2%
Kern	73,040	52.3%	43	44.9%	55.1%	55.1%	55.1%	56.7%	56.7%	24,744	27.1%	24,744	27.1%	30	44.2%	44.4%
Kings	13,025	54.1%	47	53.8%	53.8%	53.8%	53.8%	55.8%	55.8%	25,385	40.8%	25,385	40.8%	27	41.0%	40.7%
Lake	5,547	55.6%	47	37.1%	36.5%	36.5%	36.5%	37.1%	37.1%	25,385	40.8%	25,385	40.8%	12	30.8%	30.8%
Lassen	1,981	36.6%	22	50	56.6%	60.2%	60.2%	62.2%	62.2%	13,309	44.3%	13,309	44.3%	23	37.7%	36.2%
Los Angeles	942,368	60.3%	51	59.7%	59.7%	61.4%	61.4%	61.4%	61.4%	27.1%	27.1%	27.1%	27.1%	2	18.7%	18.7%
Madera	13,873	59.7%	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	40,122	46.5%	40,122	46.5%	35	44.7%	46.8%
Marin	3,644	13.4%	1	1	1	13.3%	13.3%	13.6%	13.6%	7,129	46.7%	7,129	46.7%	34	46.9%	46.8%
Mariposa	898	32.3%	15	28.6%	28.6%	32.3%	32.3%	35.9%	35.9%	5,548	50.5%	5,548	50.5%	41	51.9%	50.6%
Mendocino	7,354	47.4%	37	47.5%	45.5%	49.1%	49.1%	49.1%	49.1%	1,291	55.4%	1,291	55.4%	46	54.9%	54.3%
Merced	33,895	70.6%	57	66.9%	74.2%	70.7%	70.7%	70.7%	70.7%	47,339	62.0%	47,339	62.0%	54	61.2%	62.0%
Modoc	1,129	52.1%	42	52.3%	53.5%	50.4%	50.4%	50.4%	50.4%	2,858	35.1%	2,858	35.1%	19	34.7%	35.0%
Mono	591	31.0%	13	28.8%	33.6%	30.7%	30.7%	33.6%	33.6%	46,657	36.0%	46,657	36.0%	20	35.8%	36.4%
Monterey	36,235	54.7%	45	54.8%	55.2%	54.3%	54.3%	55.2%	55.2%	11,103	42.8%	11,103	42.8%	28	42.0%	45.2%
Napa	6,232	33.3%	18	32.6%	33.6%	33.7%	33.7%	33.7%	33.7%	8,511	66.4%	8,511	66.4%	55	66.7%	67.1%
Nevada	2,902	21.7%	4	22.6%	21.6%	20.9%	20.9%	21.6%	21.6%							

Source: California Department of Education. Prepared by California Food Policy Advocates. Note: A child is eligible for subsidized school meals if his or her parent's income is below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level.

# Late or No Prenatal Care

1995-1997

	Avg. # of Mothers receiving late or no prenatal care	1995-1997 Avg. rate	Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # of Mothers receiving late or no prenatal care	1995-1997 Avg. rate	Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	
CALIFORNIA	21,557	4.0%		4.6%	3.8%	3.7%	Orange	1,540	3.2%	15	3.4%	3.2%	3.0%
Alameda	431	2.1%	2	2.3%	1.8%	2.1%	Placer	76	2.8%	7	3.1%	3.0%	2.1%
Alpine	1	7.1%	NR	18.2%	0.0%	0.0%	Plumas	7	4.2%	NR	5.4%	5.4%	1.9%
Amador	6	2.1%	NR	2.4%	2.4%	1.5%	Riverside	1,414	6.0%	39	6.7%	5.7%	5.5%
Butte	128	5.3%	29	5.4%	4.8%	5.8%	Sacramento	1,022	5.7%	35	6.9%	5.2%	4.9%
Calaveras	11	3.3%	NR	4.5%	1.9%	3.4%	San Benito	18	2.2%	5	2.3%	2.6%	1.8%
Colusa	22	7.0%	42	7.9%	8.3%	4.9%	San Bernardino	1,641	5.6%	34	6.7%	5.2%	4.9%
Contra Costa	412	3.3%	17	3.9%	3.3%	2.8%	San Diego	2,633	5.9%	38	6.6%	5.5%	5.6%
Del Norte	14	4.4%	24	6.8%	3.3%	3.4%	San Francisco	256	3.1%	11	3.6%	2.5%	3.0%
El Dorado	50	2.9%	9	3.0%	2.7%	3.2%	San Joaquin	492	5.6%	33	5.7%	5.4%	5.6%
Fresno	494	3.4%	18	3.2%	3.3%	3.7%	San Luis Obispo	106	4.2%	23	5.0%	4.1%	3.3%
Glenn	23	5.3%	28	7.2%	5.2%	3.3%	San Mateo	309	3.1%	12	3.2%	2.8%	3.2%
Humboldt	88	5.8%	36	7.2%	5.2%	4.8%	Santa Barbara	240	4.1%	22	4.6%	4.1%	3.6%
Imperial	202	8.1%	45	7.9%	8.4%	7.9%	Santa Clara	817	3.1%	13	3.7%	3.0%	2.6%
Inyo	18	8.3%	46	9.5%	9.0%	5.8%	Santa Cruz	114	3.3%	16	3.9%	3.6%	2.3%
Kern	638	5.5%	32	7.0%	5.1%	4.3%	Shasta	59	2.9%	8	3.8%	2.4%	2.5%
Kings	88	4.1%	21	5.4%	3.9%	2.8%	Sierra	1	3.9%	NR	4.3%	0.0%	8.3%
Lake	54	9.0%	48	11.0%	8.4%	7.1%	Siskiyou	28	5.8%	37	7.5%	5.8%	3.8%
Lassen	15	4.9%	25	7.7%	3.7%	3.4%	Solano	407	7.2%	44	8.6%	7.0%	5.9%
Los Angeles	5,336	3.2%	14	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%	Sonoma	116	2.1%	4	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%
Madera	99	4.9%	26	6.5%	4.1%	4.3%	Stanislaus	250	3.5%	19	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%
Marin	67	2.6%	6	2.8%	2.8%	2.1%	Sutter	79	6.7%	41	7.3%	6.0%	6.9%
Mariposa	6	4.3%	NR	5.3%	3.2%	4.4%	Tehama	34	5.1%	27	5.4%	5.1%	4.8%
Mendocino	105	9.9%	49	14.6%	7.2%	7.4%	Trinity	3	2.4%	NR	3.3%	1.4%	3.0%
Merced	242	6.4%	40	6.1%	5.9%	7.1%	Tulare	387	5.5%	30	5.6%	5.5%	5.2%
Modoc	6	5.4%	NR	7.4%	4.4%	4.1%	Tuolumne	10	2.1%	3	2.6%	2.2%	1.5%
Mono	7	5.6%	NR	7.4%	2.5%	6.8%	Ventura	237	2.0%	1	2.5%	1.7%	1.8%
Monterey	369	5.5%	31	7.0%	5.3%	4.2%	Yolo	154	7.1%	43	9.0%	6.3%	6.1%
Napa	55	3.7%	20	4.3%	4.2%	2.6%	Yuba	198	8.5%	47	8.6%	8.1%	8.9%
Nevada	24	3.0%	10	2.8%	3.5%	2.6%							

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Percentage refers to percentage of infants born to women who received no prenatal care during pregnancy, or only received care during the last trimester. NR =Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

# Low Birthweight Infants

1995-1997

	1995-1997 Avg. # of low birthweight infants	1995-1997 Avg. rate	Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # of low birthweight infants	1995-1997 Avg. rate	Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	
CALIFORNIA	32,823	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	Orange	2,541	5.3%	15	5.4%	5.2%	5.3%
Alameda	1,443	6.9%	49	6.9%	7.0%	6.9%	Placer	134	4.9%	7	5.0%	4.6%	5.0%
Alpine	0	0.0%	NR	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Plumas	8	4.9%	NR	6.0%	6.8%	1.9%
Amador	13	5.0%	9	5.3%	3.8%	5.9%	Riverside	1,454	6.1%	34	5.8%	6.1%	6.6%
Butte	119	4.9%	8	5.2%	4.9%	4.6%	Sacramento	1,172	6.5%	44	6.6%	6.1%	6.9%
Calaveras	20	5.8%	28	7.3%	5.3%	4.6%	San Benito	38	4.6%	3	4.9%	4.9%	4.1%
Colusa	17	5.5%	NR	8.5%	3.3%	4.6%	San Bernardino	1,951	6.7%	46	6.7%	6.6%	6.7%
Contra Costa	765	6.2%	35	6.0%	6.3%	6.3%	San Diego	2,562	5.7%	27	5.6%	5.8%	5.8%
Del Norte	18	5.5%	23	4.5%	4.5%	7.4%	San Francisco	570	6.8%	48	7.1%	6.7%	6.6%
El Dorado	104	6.2%	36	5.6%	6.4%	6.6%	San Joaquin	572	6.5%	43	6.3%	6.6%	6.5%
Fresno	964	6.6%	45	6.7%	6.5%	6.6%	San Luis Obispo	130	5.1%	10	4.6%	5.5%	5.4%
Glenn	18	4.1%	1	4.1%	3.6%	4.7%	San Mateo	585	5.8%	29	5.9%	5.7%	5.9%
Humboldt	70	4.6%	4	4.9%	5.0%	4.0%	Santa Barbara	344	5.9%	30	5.7%	6.1%	5.8%
Imperial	119	4.7%	6	5.0%	4.4%	4.8%	Santa Clara	1,574	6.0%	32	6.1%	6.0%	5.9%
Inyo	15	6.7%	47	6.6%	7.7%	5.8%	Santa Cruz	165	4.7%	5	4.7%	4.4%	5.1%
Kern	739	6.4%	41	6.6%	6.6%	6.0%	Shasta	104	5.1%	11	5.6%	5.0%	4.8%
Kings	128	5.9%	31	5.6%	6.3%	5.9%	Sierra	0	0.0%	NR	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Lake	35	5.7%	26	6.5%	4.8%	5.7%	Siskiyou	30	6.3%	38	7.5%	5.6%	5.6%
Lassen	14	4.7%	NR	6.7%	2.4%	4.9%	Solano	359	6.3%	40	6.3%	6.3%	6.4%
Los Angeles	10,839	6.4%	42	6.4%	6.4%	6.5%	Sonoma	289	5.3%	17	5.5%	5.4%	4.9%
Madera	106	5.3%	16	5.8%	5.4%	4.7%	Stanislaus	439	6.2%	37	5.9%	6.1%	6.6%
Marin	141	5.4%	18	5.1%	5.6%	5.4%	Sutter	67	5.7%	25	4.5%	6.6%	6.0%
Mariposa	9	6.1%	NR	7.9%	3.2%	7.4%	Tehama	37	5.5%	21	6.7%	5.1%	4.5%
Mendocino	54	5.1%	12	4.5%	5.6%	5.4%	Trinity	7	6.0%	NR	8.1%	4.8%	5.0%
Merced	232	6.1%	33	6.1%	6.3%	6.0%	Tulare	389	5.5%	22	5.6%	5.7%	5.2%
Modoc	6	5.7%	NR	5.7%	6.1%	5.1%	Tuolumne	25	5.3%	14	4.7%	5.4%	5.8%
Mono	9	7.0%	NR	8.1%	4.2%	8.5%	Ventura	637	5.5%	20	5.3%	5.2%	5.8%
Monterey	350	5.2%	13	5.3%	4.8%	5.5%	Yolo	119	5.5%	24	5.1%	5.5%	5.9%
Napa	63	4.2%	2	4.2%	3.9%	4.5%	Yuba	70	6.3%	39	6.0%	5.9%	7.0%
Nevada	43	5.4%	19	4.9%	6.0%	5.2%							

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Percentage refers to percentage of live births with birthweights less than 2,500 grams (5.5 lbs). NR =Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

# Infant Mortality

1995-1997

	1995-1997 Avg. # of infant deaths	1995-1997 Avg. rate	Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # of infant deaths	1995-1997 Avg. rate	Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	
CALIFORNIA	3,252	6.0		6.3	5.9	5.9	Orange	231	4.8	8	5.6	4.4	4.4
Alameda	121	5.8	16	5.4	6.0	6.0	Placer	13	4.9	9	6.3	6.2	1.9
Alpine	0	0.0	NR	0.0	0.0	0.0	Plumas	1	6.4	NR	6.0	13.5	0.0
Amador	0	1.2	NR	0.0	3.5	0.0	Riverside	154	6.5	23	7.1	6.4	6.0
Butte	19	8.0	35	10.3	6.9	6.7	Sacramento	125	7.0	26	7.0	6.9	7.0
Calaveras	2	5.8	NR	13.1	3.1	0.0	San Benito	4	5.2	NR	3.8	5.0	6.8
Colusa	2	6.5	NR	6.3	6.6	6.5	San Bernardino	225	7.7	33	7.7	7.1	8.3
Contra Costa	69	5.6	14	6.0	5.5	5.1	San Diego	235	5.3	12	4.9	5.4	5.5
Del Norte	4	11.4	NR	16.1	3.0	15.4	San Francisco	38	4.5	5	4.3	4.8	4.5
El Dorado	6	3.8	NR	3.5	6.0	1.8	San Joaquin	63	7.1	29	6.4	7.6	7.2
Fresno	119	8.2	36	8.3	7.9	8.4	San Luis Obispo	12	4.7	6	3.8	4.4	6.0
Glenn	2	3.8	NR	2.3	2.3	7.0	San Mateo	47	4.7	7	5.1	4.0	5.1
Humboldt	9	5.9	18	8.9	4.7	4.1	Santa Barbara	29	4.9	11	6.7	3.7	4.5
Imperial	10	4.0	2	4.9	4.4	2.5	Santa Clara	140	5.3	13	5.2	5.1	5.6
Inyo	2	7.7	NR	4.1	9.0	10.5	Santa Cruz	17	4.9	10	3.7	6.1	4.8
Kern	106	9.2	37	10.9	9.8	6.7	Shasta	14	7.1	28	6.9	5.9	8.5
Kings	17	7.9	34	6.1	11.5	5.8	Sierra	0	0.0	NR	0.0	0.0	0.0
Lake	4	6.6	NR	3.0	6.9	10.6	Siskiyou	4	7.6	NR	10.2	5.6	7.1
Lassen	2	5.4	NR	10.1	3.4	3.0	Solano	35	6.2	22	5.1	7.1	6.4
Los Angeles	1,042	6.2	21	6.7	5.9	5.9	Sonoma	23	4.2	3	4.4	4.2	4.1
Madera	12	5.8	17	7.0	6.5	4.0	Stanislaus	47	6.6	24	5.9	6.8	7.1
Marin	9	3.5	1	2.7	3.4	4.5	Sutter	8	6.8	25	6.0	7.9	6.6
Mariposa	0	2.3	NR	6.6	0.0	0.0	Tehama	4	5.4	NR	6.9	3.0	6.4
Mendocino	8	7.6	32	8.0	9.8	4.9	Trinity	1	5.4	NR	8.1	6.9	0.0
Merced	28	7.5	31	8.2	7.2	6.9	Tulare	42	6.0	20	5.7	6.1	6.1
Modoc	1	12.0	NR	8.2	17.5	10.2	Tuolumne	4	7.7	NR	2.0	13.0	8.6
Mono	0	0.0	NR	0.0	0.0	0.0	Ventura	69	5.9	19	5.4	5.0	7.5
Monterey	38	5.6	15	5.7	5.3	5.8	Yolo	15	7.0	27	5.0	9.7	6.2
Napa	7	4.5	4	5.5	4.6	3.3	Yuba	8	7.2	30	8.4	4.6	8.6
Nevada	5	6.2	NR	3.6	11.3	3.8							

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Rate refers to the number of infants who died in their first year of life per 1,000 live births. NR =Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

## Teen Births

1995-1997

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Rate refers to the number of births to teens ages 15-19 per 1,000 females of that age group.

# Breastfeeding

Percent of mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding ,1997

	1997 exclusively breastfeeding	% of mothers exclusively breastfeeding	Rank 1997	1997 Total breastfeeding rate	Rank 1997	1997 exclusively breastfeeding	% of mothers exclusively breastfeeding	Rank 1997	1997 Total breastfeeding rate	Rank 1997
CALIFORNIA	43%	78%	36	Orange	33%	50	79%	39		
Alameda	66%	81%	40	Placer	71%	14	87%	15		
Alpine	33%	50	7	Plumas	77%	6	85%	23		
Amador	76%	9	82%	Riverside	37%	44	71%	54		
Butte	59%	32	33	Sacramento	59%	32	76%	44		
Calaveras	59%	32	84%	San Benito	35%	46	83%	32		
Colusa	38%	43	40	San Bernardino	34%	48	69%	56		
Contra Costa	63%	21	85%	San Diego	61%	28	84%	28		
Del Norte	69%	16	84%	San Francisco	62%	25	82%	33		
El Dorado	61%	28	87%	San Joaquin	40%	41	76%	44		
Fresno	37%	44	73%	San Luis Obispo	82%	4	91%	5		
Glenn	49%	38	82%	San Mateo	76%	9	89%	10		
Humboldt	77%	6	87%	Santa Barbara	60%	30	87%	15		
Imperial	18%	58	73%	Santa Clara	54%	35	86%	20		
Inyo	63%	21	90%	Santa Cruz	62%	25	92%	2		
Kern	28%	53	72%	Shasta	79%	5	86%	20		
Kings	21%	57	69%	Sierra	67%	18	92%	2		
Lake	63%	21	81%	Siskiyou	73%	11	86%	20		
Lassen	68%	17	91%	Solano	60%	30	77%	42		
Los Angeles	28%	53	75%	Sonoma	73%	11	89%	10		
Madera	34%	48	75%	Stanislaus	45%	39	74%	49		
Marin	88%	1	93%	Sutter	39%	42	77%	42		
Mariposa	51%	37	87%	Tehama	54%	35	81%	36		
Mendocino	64%	20	85%	Trinity	83%	3	89%	10		
Merced	24%	56	70%	Tulare	27%	55	75%	46		
Modoc	77%	6	90%	Tuolumne	63%	21	85%	23		
Mono	35%	46	73%	Ventura	43%	40	85%	23		
Monterey	62%	25	89%	Yolo	70%	15	84%	28		
Napa	73%	11	88%	Yuba	33%	50	65%	58		
Nevada	85%	2	92%			2				

Source: Maternal and Child Health Branch, using data from Genetic Disease Branch, New Born Screening Test. Note: 1) The total breastfeeding rate includes mothers breastfeeding exclusively and mothers supplementing breastfeeding with formula. 2) Data is self-reporting. Before discharge, mothers were asked if they intended to breastfeed only (exclusively), to use formula only, or to supplement breastfeeding with formula.

# Head Start

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds enrolled in Head Start, 1997

	1997 % served	1997 Rank	1997 % served	1997 Rank
CALIFORNIA	NA	39	Orange	47.7%
Alameda	42.9%	NA	Placer	47.9%
Alpine	NA	NA	Plumas	44.4%
Amador	62.5%	12	Riverside	39.9%
Butte	40.1%	47	Sacramento	56.9%
Calaveras	100.0%	1	San Benito	89.3%
Colusa	100.0%	1	San Bernardino	41.9%
Contra Costa	52.1%	21	San Diego	52.0%
Del Norte	39.7%	49	San Francisco	48.3%
El Dorado	78.4%	7	San Joaquin	55.3%
Fresno	32.1%	56	San Luis Obispo	47.8%
Glenn	67.9%	10	San Mateo	46.5%
Humboldt	45.1%	33	Santa Barbara	42.3%
Imperial	38.2%	51	Santa Clara	44.9%
Inyo	54.1%	19	Santa Cruz	53.1%
Kern	35.6%	54	Shasta	38.0%
Kings	40.5%	46	Sierra	100.0%
Lake	43.8%	37	Siskiyou	34.2%
Lassen	55.6%	17	Solano	47.2%
Los Angeles	40.7%	45	Sonoma	49.2%
Madera	36.6%	53	Stanislaus	43.8%
Marin	56.8%	15	Sutter	39.2%
Mariposa	100.0%	1	Tehama	56.5%
Mendocino	40.9%	44	Trinity	57.1%
Merced	41.9%	41	Tulare	44.5%
Modoc	71.4%	9	Tuolumne	76.2%
Mono	93.2%	5	Ventura	45.2%
Monterey	50.6%	23	Yolo	41.5%
Napa	66.9%	11	Yuba	27.6%
Nevada	46.8%	30		

Source: Fiscal Year 1997 Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Head Start Bureau. Note: 1) Percent refers to percent of children served (enrolled) out of all eligible. Children ages 3 and 4 and in families that meet the federal poverty guidelines are eligible for Head Start services. In 1997, the federal poverty guidelines for a family of four was an annual income of 16,050 or less. 2) NA = Not available.

# Average Class Size

October 1996 - October 1998

	1996-1998 Avg. class size	Rank	1996 Avg. class size	1997 Avg. class size	1998 Avg. class size	1996-1998 Avg. class size	Rank	1996 Avg. class size	1997 Avg. class size	1998 Avg. class size
CALIFORNIA	27.9		29.1	27.4	27.2	Orange	57	30.3	28.9	28.7
Alameda	27.5	46	28.6	26.9	27.0	Placer	39	28.2	27.5	26.2
Alpine	15.3	1	15.7	13.9	16.4	Plumas	11	25.0	23.6	20.9
Amador	25.0	17	26.0	25.0	23.9	Riverside	58	30.9	28.5	28.6
Butte	26.7	32	27.5	26.5	26.2	Sacramento	44	28.4	27.3	26.6
Calaveras	25.0	18	25.3	23.7	26.0	San Benito	27.4	28.2	27.5	26.5
Colusa	21.0	6	21.6	20.7	20.8	San Bernardino	56	30.1	28.5	28.4
Contra Costa	28.3	53	29.6	27.9	27.5	San Diego	52	29.4	27.6	27.5
Del Norte	26.8	34	27.8	26.2	26.4	San Francisco	21	25.1	24.7	26.0
El Dorado	27.6	49	29.1	27.0	26.6	San Joaquin	27.5	45	28.4	27.3
Fresno	26.7	31	27.9	26.1	26.2	San Luis Obispo	24	27.1	25.9	25.6
Glenn	23.1	9	24.2	22.7	22.4	San Mateo	37	28.2	26.9	26.6
Humboldt	24.4	15	25.0	24.3	23.9	Santa Barbara	26.3	25	27.2	26.1
Imperial	26.3	26	27.3	26.1	25.6	Santa Clara	27.6	48	28.9	26.9
Inyo	21.0	5	22.8	20.7	19.4	Santa Cruz	28.1	51	29.0	27.8
Kern	26.6	28	28.0	26.1	25.8	Shasta	26.5	27	27.6	26.2
Kings	26.2	23	27.2	25.9	25.4	Sierra	2	16.9	16.5	15.8
Lake	24.2	14	24.6	23.8	24.1	Siskiyou	21.5	7	23.1	20.8
Lassen	23.1	10	23.6	22.5	23.3	Solano	27.5	46	28.9	26.8
Los Angeles	28.5	54	29.9	28.0	27.5	Sonoma	30	27.5	26.3	26.2
Madera	27.4	41	28.5	26.9	26.7	Stanislaus	55	29.4	28.3	28.0
Marin	25.2	20	26.1	24.7	24.8	Stutter	26.1	22	27.0	25.9
Mariposa	23.3	12	24.6	21.9	23.4	Tehama	25.0	18	26.0	24.9
Mendocino	23.5	13	24.3	23.4	22.8	Trinity	22.1	8	22.7	22.4
Merced	26.6	28	27.4	26.4	26.1	Tulare	27.3	39	28.6	26.7
Modoc	19.2	3	19.7	19.4	18.4	Tuolumne	24.8	16	25.7	24.5
Mono	20.1	4	20.7	20.4	19.2	Ventura	27.9	50	27.2	28.3
Monterey	27.1	36	28.4	26.6	26.2	Yolo	27.0	35	28.0	26.8
Napa	27.4	41	28.4	27.0	26.7	Yuba	27.2	37	28.2	27.4
Nevada	26.7	32	27.3	26.1	26.8					

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit

# Per Pupil Expenditure

1996-1998

	1996-1998 Avg. per pupil expenditure	1996-1998 Rank	1995-1996 Per pupil expenditure	1995-1996 Per pupil expenditure	1997-1998 Per pupil expenditure	1997-1998 Per pupil expenditure	1996-1998 Avg. per pupil expenditure	1996-1998 Rank	1995-1996 Per pupil expenditure	1995-1996 Per pupil expenditure	1997-1998 Per pupil expenditure
CALIFORNIA	\$4,598		\$4,287	\$4,570	\$4,938	\$4,373	50	\$4,060	\$4,358	\$4,700	
Alameda	\$4,828	15	\$4,519	\$4,767	\$5,199	\$4,245	57	\$3,962	\$4,256	\$4,517	
Alpine	\$10,687	1	\$8,818	\$9,991	\$13,252	Plumas	57	\$4,629	\$4,940	\$5,559	
Amador	\$4,076	58	\$3,646	\$4,194	\$4,388	Riverside	52	\$4,059	\$4,328	\$4,665	
Butte	\$4,443	45	\$4,033	\$4,439	\$4,857	Sacramento	34	\$4,256	\$4,516	\$4,970	
Calaveras	\$4,418	48	\$3,784	\$4,215	\$5,253	San Benito	46	\$4,140	\$4,408	\$4,735	
Colusa	\$4,652	25	\$4,245	\$4,782	\$4,930	San Bernardino	47	\$4,086	\$4,368	\$4,810	
Contra Costa	\$4,549	37	\$4,193	\$4,522	\$4,932	San Diego	21	\$4,383	\$4,695	\$5,052	
Del Norte	\$4,974	13	\$4,480	\$4,782	\$5,660	San Francisco	8	\$4,839	\$5,403	\$5,698	
El Dorado	\$4,463	42	\$4,120	\$4,528	\$4,742	San Joaquin	38	\$4,197	\$4,550	\$4,877	
Fresno	\$4,604	28	\$4,263	\$4,612	\$4,936	San Luis Obispo	23	\$4,315	\$4,735	\$4,953	
Glenn	\$4,658	24	\$4,266	\$4,702	\$5,007	San Mateo	19	\$4,444	\$4,686	\$5,058	
Humboldt	\$4,717	20	\$4,298	\$4,745	\$5,108	Santa Barbara	40	\$4,153	\$4,495	\$4,934	
Imperial	\$4,515	41	\$4,213	\$4,498	\$4,835	Santa Clara	16	\$4,442	\$4,747	\$5,169	
Inyo	\$5,725	4	\$5,423	\$5,654	\$6,097	Santa Cruz	27	\$4,267	\$4,633	\$4,927	
Kern	\$4,575	35	\$4,212	\$4,598	\$4,914	Shasta	32	\$4,144	\$4,629	\$4,994	
Kings	\$4,574	36	\$4,221	\$4,556	\$4,944	Sierra	11	\$6,018	\$6,477	\$2,702	
Lake	\$4,737	18	\$4,291	\$4,778	\$5,143	Siskiyou	9	\$4,778	\$5,020	\$5,720	
Lassen	\$4,896	14	\$4,551	\$4,835	\$5,303	Solano	49	\$4,098	\$4,379	\$4,671	
Los Angeles	\$4,683	22	\$4,428	\$4,626	\$4,996	Sonoma	31	\$4,161	\$4,621	\$4,991	
Madera	\$4,532	39	\$4,143	\$4,572	\$4,880	Stanislaus	56	\$3,955	\$4,246	\$4,627	
Marin	\$5,692	5	\$5,338	\$5,746	\$5,991	Sutter	55	\$4,057	\$4,345	\$4,578	
Mariposa	\$5,136	10	\$4,799	\$4,959	\$5,650	Tehama	26	\$4,234	\$4,648	\$5,044	
Mendocino	\$5,415	7	\$4,972	\$5,461	\$5,811	Trinity	2	\$5,636	\$6,113	\$6,667	
Merced	\$4,455	43	\$4,174	\$4,441	\$4,751	Tulare	53	\$4,036	\$4,307	\$4,702	
Modoc	\$5,601	6	\$5,405	\$5,471	\$5,926	Tuolumne	17	\$4,256	\$4,739	\$5,225	
Mono	\$5,855	3	\$5,269	\$6,053	\$6,243	Ventura	54	\$3,993	\$4,346	\$4,678	
Monterey	\$4,595	30	\$4,365	\$4,529	\$4,892	Yolo	44	\$4,089	\$4,474	\$4,773	
Napa	\$4,362	51	\$3,937	\$4,454	\$4,695	Yuba	33	\$4,140	\$4,524	\$5,080	
Nevada	\$4,600	29	\$4,187	\$4,594	\$5,018						

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit

# Limited English Proficiency

Percent students with limited English proficiency (LEP), 1996-1998

	1996-1998 Avg. # students w/ limited English proficiency	1996- 1998 Avg. %	1996 % students w/ limited English proficiency	1997 % students w/ limited English proficiency	1998 % students w/ limited English proficiency	1996-1998		1996- 1998 Avg. %		1996- 1998 Avg. %	
						1996-1998 Avg. # students w/ limited English proficiency	1996-1998 Avg. %	1996- 1998 Avg. %	1997 % students w/ limited English proficiency	1998 % students w/ limited English proficiency	1997 % students w/ limited English proficiency
CALIFORNIA	1,370,442	24.5%	24.2%	24.6%	24.6%	Orange	133,099	30.1%	29.9%	30.3%	30.1%
Alameda	37,794	18.4%	17.8%	18.5%	19.0%	Placer	1,700	3.6%	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%
Alpine	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Plumas	58	1.6%	1.4%	1.6%	1.8%
Amador	45	0.9%	0.8%	1.0%	1.0%	Riverside	52,549	19.0%	18.7%	19.0%	19.1%
Butte	3,607	10.3%	10.0%	10.5%	10.4%	Sacramento	33,393	16.7%	16.0%	17.1%	16.9%
Calaveras	49	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	0.8%	San Benito	1,727	17.2%	18.2%	17.4%	16.2%
Colusa	1,376	32.4%	29.7%	31.3%	36.0%	San Bernardino	54,211	15.6%	15.2%	15.7%	16.0%
Contra Costa	14,569	9.9%	9.3%	9.9%	10.5%	San Diego	97,275	21.6%	21.1%	21.7%	22.1%
Del Norte	298	5.6%	5.3%	6.4%	5.0%	San Francisco	19,144	30.7%	29.7%	31.7%	30.8%
El Dorado	1,303	4.5%	4.4%	4.6%	4.5%	San Joaquin	23,541	21.7%	22.1%	21.8%	21.2%
Fresno	46,931	27.1%	27.2%	27.2%	27.0%	San Luis Obispo	2,832	7.9%	7.5%	7.9%	8.3%
Glenn	1,086	17.5%	16.7%	17.6%	18.3%	San Mateo	19,195	21.0%	20.7%	20.7%	21.5%
Humboldt	650	3.0%	2.9%	2.9%	3.0%	Santa Barbara	16,198	26.2%	25.1%	26.3%	27.1%
Imperial	15,284	47.3%	48.0%	47.7%	46.2%	Santa Clara	55,328	22.3%	22.2%	22.6%	22.2%
Inyo	213	6.1%	5.9%	5.9%	6.3%	Santa Cruz	10,362	26.5%	26.3%	26.6%	26.6%
Kern	25,275	18.1%	17.6%	18.2%	18.6%	Shasta	923	3.0%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%
Kings	3,923	16.1%	16.1%	16.2%	16.0%	Sierra	1	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Lake	399	3.9%	3.5%	3.9%	4.4%	Siskiyou	149	1.8%	1.5%	1.7%	2.2%
Lassen	90	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%	Solano	5,957	8.6%	8.5%	8.7%	8.7%
Los Angeles	553,325	35.8%	35.9%	36.0%	35.5%	Sonoma	8,085	11.6%	10.7%	11.7%	12.3%
Madera	6,070	25.5%	25.1%	25.4%	25.9%	Stanislaus	16,438	18.2%	17.9%	18.2%	18.4%
Marin	2,607	9.4%	8.9%	9.7%	9.5%	Sutter	2,873	18.8%	19.0%	19.6%	17.8%
Mariposa	7	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	Tehama	896	8.1%	6.6%	9.4%	8.3%
Mendocino	1,794	11.3%	10.8%	11.3%	11.7%	Trinity	3	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Merced	15,727	32.6%	33.2%	32.8%	31.8%	Tulare	20,562	24.7%	23.6%	24.8%	25.6%
Modoc	288	12.5%	12.1%	13.1%	12.1%	Tuolumne	50	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%
Mono	203	10.6%	8.3%	10.5%	12.8%	Ventura	26,297	20.6%	20.6%	20.6%	20.6%
Monterey	22,608	34.2%	33.8%	33.9%	34.8%	Yolo	5,393	20.9%	20.2%	20.7%	21.7%
Napa	3,481	18.6%	17.6%	18.5%	19.8%	Yuba	3,132	23.2%	23.2%	23.2%	23.1%
Nevada	66	0.5%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%						

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit. Note: Percentage refers to the percentage of public school students (K-12) who were designated by the school as having limited proficiency in English.

# Reading

Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above national average, 1998-1999

	1999		1998		1999		1998		1999		1998	
	% 3rd Graders reading at or above national average	Rank 1998	% 3rd Graders reading at or above national average	Rank 1998	% 3rd Graders reading at or above national average	Rank 1998	% 3rd Graders reading at or above national average	Rank 1998	% 3rd Graders reading at or above national average	Rank 1998	% 3rd Graders reading at or above national average	Rank 1998
CALIFORNIA	53	22	53	47	Orange	7	65	65	60	60	65	60
Alameda	56	11	56	49	Placer	3	68	68	65	65	65	65
Alpine	63	27	63	44	Plumas	7	65	65	56	56	56	56
Amador	54	39	54	57	Riverside	42	51	42	38	38	38	38
Butte	47	15	47	45	Sacramento	25	55	55	45	45	45	45
Calaveras	53	31	53	51	San Benito	31	53	53	42	42	42	42
Colusa	53	31	53	39	San Bernardino	41	54	41	35	35	35	35
Contra Costa	62	15	62	57	San Diego	11	63	63	54	54	54	54
Del Norte	38	56	38	50	San Francisco	31	53	53	47	47	47	47
El Dorado	67	6	67	62	San Joaquin	41	54	41	38	38	38	38
Fresno	45	46	45	42	San Luis Obispo	3	68	68	60	60	60	60
Glenn	42	51	42	45	San Mateo	11	63	63	57	57	57	57
Humboldt	55	25	55	54	Santa Barbara	18	60	60	54	54	54	54
Imperial	47	39	47	36	Santa Clara	7	65	65	63	63	63	63
Inyo	54	27	54	50	Santa Cruz	15	62	62	58	58	58	58
Kern	44	48	44	37	Shasta	49	36	49	47	47	47	47
Kings	42	51	42	38	Sierra	2	69	69	54	54	54	54
Lake	43	50	43	38	Siskiyou	22	56	56	48	48	48	48
Lassen	54	27	54	51	Solano	31	53	53	48	48	48	48
Los Angeles	47	39	47	41	Sonoma	7	65	65	60	60	60	60
Madera	44	48	44	37	Stanislaus	39	47	47	43	43	43	43
Marin	81	1	81	78	Sutter	45	46	45	41	41	41	41
Marietta	57	20	57	58	Tehama	48	37	48	43	43	43	43
Mendocino	47	39	47	42	Trinity	20	57	57	48	48	48	48
Merced	35	58	35	31	Tulare	57	36	36	29	29	29	29
Modoc	46	44	46	44	Tuolumne	22	56	56	55	55	55	55
Mono	59	19	59	59	Ventura	15	62	62	55	55	55	55
Monterey	48	37	48	40	Yolo	27	54	54	54	54	54	54
Napa	63	11	63	64	Yuba	44	46	46	42	42	42	42
Nevada	68	3	68	62								

Source: California Department of Education.

# Math

Percent of 3rd graders scoring (in math) at or above national average, 1998-1999

	1999		1998		1999		1998		1999	
	% 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average	Rank 1999	% 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average	Rank 1999	% 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average	Rank 1999	% 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average	Rank 1999	% 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average	Rank 1999
CALIFORNIA	56	23	56	46	Orange	70	2	70	62	62
Alameda	56	23	56	45	Placer	69	3	69	60	60
Alpine	44	53	44	33	Plumas	59	17	59	51	51
Amador	59	17	59	48	Riverside	49	40	49	39	39
Butte	45	50	45	38	Sacramento	56	23	56	44	44
Calaveras	51	35	51	38	San Benito	51	35	51	39	39
Colusa	48	42	48	32	San Bernardino	48	42	48	36	36
Contra Costa	60	15	60	52	San Diego	68	4	68	56	56
Del Norte	46	48	46	43	San Francisco	56	23	56	51	51
El Dorado	64	10	64	55	San Joaquin	47	47	47	38	38
Fresno	53	29	53	46	San Luis Obispo	68	4	68	56	56
Glenn	54	27	54	46	San Mateo	65	8	65	56	56
Humboldt	50	37	50	42	Santa Barbara	64	10	64	52	52
Imperial	52	31	52	42	Santa Clara	68	4	68	62	62
Inyo	60	15	60	47	Santa Cruz	67	7	67	59	59
Kern	50	37	50	40	Shasta	49	40	49	42	42
Kings	45	50	45	36	Sierra	58	21	58	56	56
Lake	45	50	45	37	Siskiyou	52	31	52	41	41
Lassen	59	17	59	53	Solano	53	29	53	44	44
Los Angeles	52	31	52	44	Sonoma	62	14	62	56	56
Madera	48	42	48	40	Stanislaus	52	31	52	43	43
Marin	78	1	78	73	Sutter	48	42	48	34	34
Mariposa	50	37	50	48	Tehama	48	42	48	38	38
Mendocino	42	54	42	33	Trinity	57	22	57	49	49
Merced	40	57	40	31	Tulare	41	55	41	32	32
Modoc	59	17	59	41	Tuolumne	55	26	55	45	45
Mono	30	58	30	50	Ventura	63	13	63	51	51
Monterey	46	48	46	35	Yolo	54	27	54	47	47
Napa	64	10	64	59	Yuba	41	55	41	29	29
Nevada	65	8	65	56						

Source: California Department of Education

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# Public Library Hours

1997-1998

	Hours open per month children ages 0-5	Hours Rank	Hours open per month children ages 0-17	Hours open per month children ages 6-14	Hours Rank	Hours open per month children ages 0-5	Hours Rank	Hours open per month children ages 0-17	Hours Rank	Hours open per month children ages 6-14
CALIFORNIA	5.0		1.8	3.6	Orange	3.8	50	1.5	3.0	
Alameda	6.7	32	2.4	4.7	Placer	9.9	20	3.1	6.1	
Alpine	403.4	1	102.2	198.3	Plumas	59.3	4	14.4	26.3	
Amador	33.5	10	9.3	17.8	Riverside	3.7	51	1.3	2.5	
Butte	3.3	54	1.0	2.0	Sacramento	3.0	55	1.0	2.1	
Calaveras	28.9	11	7.8	14.6	San Benito	5.9	37	2.1	4.4	
Colusa	13.3	15	4.6	9.5	San Bernardino	3.8	49	1.3	2.6	
Contra Costa	4.9	45	1.6	3.2	San Diego	5.1	43	1.9	3.8	
Del Norte	8.2	27	2.4	4.7	San Francisco	9.0	24	3.2	6.5	
El Dorado	6.5	35	1.9	3.6	San Joaquin	2.2	58	0.7	1.4	
Fresno	3.6	52	1.3	2.6	San Luis Obispo	10.2	18	3.1	6.0	
Glenn	14.2	14	4.7	9.4	San Mateo	9.1	23	3.2	6.5	
Humboldt	10.1	19	3.0	5.9	Santa Barbara	6.1	36	2.2	4.4	
Imperial	8.4	25	2.9	6.0	Santa Clara	5.5	41	2.0	4.0	
Inyo	51.6	5	15.7	30.5	Santa Cruz	9.4	22	3.2	6.3	
Kern	5.5	40	1.9	3.9	Shasta	2.2	57	0.7	1.3	
Kings	7.5	30	2.7	5.4	Sierra	71.0	3	12.4	22.0	
Lake	11.1	16	3.3	6.2	Siskiyou	37.5	9	10.6	20.5	
Lassen	5.2	42	1.5	2.9	Solano	3.4	53	1.1	2.1	
Los Angeles	4.0	48	1.5	3.0	Sonoma	8.1	28	2.5	4.9	
Madera	5.8	38	2.1	4.4	Stanislaus	5.5	39	1.8	3.6	
Marin	17.8	12	5.9	11.5	Stutter	7.3	31	2.4	4.8	
Mariposa	38.1	8	10.9	20.8	Tehama	6.6	33	2.1	4.1	
Mendocino	10.3	17	3.1	6.0	Trinity	47.2	6	12.5	23.9	
Merced	4.2	47	1.4	2.9	Tulare	4.5	46	1.6	3.4	
Modoc	45.9	7	13.6	27.3	Tuolumne	14.9	13	4.1	7.8	
Mono	86.2	2	24.9	45.9	Ventura	5.0	44	1.7	3.5	
Monterey	9.5	21	3.5	6.9	Yolo	7.8	29	2.7	5.3	
Napa	6.6	34	2.1	4.2	Yuba	2.3	56	0.8	1.5	
Nevada	8.3	26	2.3	4.3						

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# Public Library Programs

School-age programs and preschool child programs, 1997-1998

	Total child school-age programs	# programs available per 100 school-age children	Total child preschool programs	Rank	# programs available per 100 preschool children	Total child school-age programs	Rank	# programs available per 100 school-age children	Total child preschool programs	Rank	# programs available per 100 preschool children	Total child preschool programs	Rank
CALIFORNIA	97,194	2.1	47,558	1.4	Orange	5,825	1.6	16	4,530	1.5	28		
Alameda	4,769	2.5	9	3,079	2.3	20	Placer	383	1.3	24	566	3.1	16
Alpine	0	0.0	52	0	0.0	51	Plumas	191	8.0	3	190	17.8	1
Amador	0	0.0	52	0	0.0	51	Riverside	1,246	0.6	38	1,183	0.8	41
Butte	218	0.9	33	294	1.9	23	Sacramento	323	0.2	49	909	0.8	40
Calaveras	12	0.3	46	142	5.9	6	San Benito	42	0.6	36	53	1.0	36
Colusa	340	12.2	1	51	2.6	18	San Bernardino	1,340	0.5	40	1,413	0.8	42
Contra Costa	1,403	1.2	26	1,818	2.4	19	San Diego	5,736	1.5	19	4,238	1.5	29
Del Norte	25	0.7	35	0	0.0	51	San Francisco	4,288	5.8	4	3,296	6.1	5
El Dorado	110	0.5	39	132	1.2	34	San Joaquin	870	1.0	32	374	0.7	46
Fresno	1,630	1.3	22	457	0.5	47	San Luis Obispo	417	1.5	20	638	3.9	12
Glenn	115	2.8	8	45	1.6	24	San Mateo	1,638	1.9	13	2,335	3.7	13
Humboldt	209	1.3	23	418	4.4	10	Santa Barbara	224	0.4	42	153	0.4	48
Imperial	84	0.4	44	62	0.4	49	Santa Clara	2,407	1.1	28	4,116	2.6	17
Inyo	5	0.2	47	4	0.3	50	Santa Cruz	397	1.2	25	449	2.1	22
Kern	2,285	2.2	10	760	1.0	35	Shasta	36	0.2	50	95	0.7	44
Kings	0	0.0	52	0	0.0	51	Sierra	a	a	a	a	a	a
Lake	15	0.2	48	51	1.3	32	Siskiyou	4	0.1	51	153	5.2	7
Lassen	15	0.4	43	21	1.0	37	Solano	605	1.0	31	446	1.2	33
Los Angeles	52,811	3.8	6	8,772	0.8	38	Sonoma	659	1.2	27	456	1.3	30
Madera	96	0.6	37	276	2.2	21	Stanislaus	1,036	1.5	18	692	1.5	27
Marin	508	2.0	11	752	4.5	9	Sutter	187	1.7	15	337	4.5	8
Mariposa	95	5.2	5	72	7.2	4	Tehama	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Mendocino	0	0.0	52	0	0.0	51	Trinity	0	0.0	52	0	0.0	51
Merced	554	1.6	17	390	1.6	25	Tulare	756	1.3	21	364	0.8	39
Modoc	13	1.1	29	68	9.5	2	Tuolumne	26	0.5	41	120	4.0	11
Mono	120	8.4	2	58	7.6	3	Ventura	1,106	1.1	30	546	0.8	43
Monterey	1,019	1.7	14	1,513	3.6	15	Yolo	388	1.9	12	214	1.5	26
Napa	511	3.5	7	336	3.6	14	Yuba	28	0.3	45	49	0.7	45
Nevada	74	0.7	34	72	1.3	31							

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# High School Dropout Rates

Public School Grades 9-12, 1995-1998

	1995-1998 Avg. # high school dropouts	1995-1998 Avg. rate	1995-1998 Rank	1995-1996 Rate	1995-1997 Rate	1997-1998 Rate	1995-1998 Avg. # high school dropouts	1995-1998 Avg. rate	1995-1998 Rank	1995-1996 Rate	1996-1997 Rate	1997-1998 Rate	
CALIFORNIA	52,636	3.4%	34	3.9%	3.3%	2.9%	2,980	2.3%	23	2.7%	2.5%	2.5%	1.9%
Alameda	1,653	3.0%	b	3.7%	2.6%	2.5%	Placer	1.9%	15	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.8%
Alpine	b	b	b	b	b	b	Plumas	22	1.9%	13	2.3%	2.1%	1.4%
Amador	17	1.1%	2	1.0%	1.4%	1.0%	Riverside	2,035	2.7%	29	2.8%	2.6%	2.5%
Butte	431	4.4%	52	5.2%	4.0%	3.98%	Sacramento	1,960	3.6%	45	4.3%	3.2%	3.2%
Calaveras	41	1.8%	11	2.2%	1.7%	1.5%	San Benito	44	1.6%	7	0.9%	1.0%	2.8%
Colusa	17	1.2%	3	1.5%	0.6%	1.6%	San Bernardino	3,568	3.8%	49	4.7%	3.3%	3.5%
Contra Costa	830	2.0%	18	2.2%	1.7%	2.1%	San Diego	3,561	2.9%	33	3.0%	2.9%	2.7%
Del Norte	35	2.4%	24	2.3%	2.4%	2.4%	San Francisco	932	4.7%	56	4.1%	4.3%	5.7%
El Dorado	194	2.2%	21	2.2%	2.4%	1.9%	San Joaquin	583	1.9%	17	2.3%	1.9%	1.7%
Fresno	2,146	4.5%	53	4.8%	4.4%	4.3%	San Luis Obispo	183	1.7%	8	1.9%	1.8%	1.5%
Glenn	63	3.7%	48	4.7%	4.0%	2.3%	San Mateo	488	1.9%	14	2.2%	2.0%	1.6%
Humboldt	213	3.3%	40	3.5%	3.0%	3.3%	Santa Barbara	427	2.6%	28	2.8%	2.7%	2.3%
Imperial	179	1.8%	12	1.9%	1.4%	2.2%	Santa Clara	2,132	3.1%	36	3.8%	2.5%	3.1%
Inyo	16	1.5%	6	1.8%	1.2%	1.5%	Santa Cruz	358	3.3%	41	3.3%	3.9%	2.7%
Kern	1,588	4.1%	51	4.4%	4.2%	3.6%	Shasta	298	3.2%	37	4.0%	2.5%	3.1%
Kings	157	2.4%	25	2.6%	2.0%	2.5%	Sierra	7	2.1%	19	0.7%	1.0%	3.4%
Lake	100	3.5%	44	3.8%	3.7%	3.0%	Siskiyou	123	4.6%	55	4.4%	5.6%	3.9%
Lassen	44	2.7%	30	1.6%	3.6%	2.9%	Solano	385	1.9%	16	2.4%	1.8%	1.7%
Los Angeles	18,868	4.5%	54	5.6%	4.6%	3.4%	Sonoma	536	2.8%	31	2.7%	2.6%	3.1%
Madera	211	3.2%	39	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%	Stanislaus	914	3.6%	47	3.7%	3.5%	3.66%
Marin	103	1.3%	4	1.2%	1.4%	1.3%	Sutter	233	5.2%	57	5.4%	6.0%	4.4%
Mariposa	20	2.5%	27	2.4%	2.0%	3.1%	Tehama	59	1.8%	10	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%
Mendocino	169	3.4%	43	3.1%	3.7%	3.3%	Trinity	8	1.1%	1	1.7%	0.9%	0.6%
Merced	437	3.2%	38	3.6%	2.4%	3.7%	Tulare	875	3.9%	50	3.2%	4.6%	3.865%
Modoc	12	1.8%	9	2.6%	1.7%	1.2%	Tuolumne	58	2.2%	22	2.1%	2.5%	2.1%
Mono	10	2.1%	20	2.8%	3.4%	0.2%	Ventura	910	2.5%	26	2.9%	2.5%	2.1%
Monterey	578	3.4%	42	3.6%	3.1%	3.4%	Yolo	210	2.8%	32	3.2%	2.8%	2.4%
Napa	73	1.3%	5	1.4%	1.1%	1.5%	Yuba	105	3.0%	35	2.7%	2.8%	3.4%
Nevada	165	3.6%	46	3.5%	3.4%	4.0%							

Source: Department of Education, Demographic Unit. Note: b = not applicable (i.e.: no school in Alpine county).

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# HS Graduates Prepared for College

1995-1998

	1995-1998 Avg. # grads completing UC/CSU requirement	1995-1998 Avg. %	1995-1998 Rank	1995-1996			1996-1997			1997-1998			1995-1996			1996-1997		
				1995-1996 % Grads prepared	1996-1997 % Grads prepared	1997-1998 % Grads prepared	1995-1998 Avg. # grads completing UC/CSU requirement	1995-1998 Avg. %	1995-1998 Rank	1995-1998 Avg. %	1995-1998 Rank	1995-1998 Avg. %	1995-1998 Rank	1995-1996 % Grads prepared	1996-1997 % Grads prepared	1997-1998 % Grads prepared		
CALIFORNIA	97,333	36.0%	20	35.4%	36.0%	36.6%	Orange	8,611	37.6%	18	34.7%	38.6%	38.6%	39.2%	38.1%	38.1%		
Alameda	3,744	37.3%	b	36.2%	37.3%	38.2%	Placer	1,000	37.7%	17	38.1%	37.0%	37.0%	38.1%	38.0%	38.0%		
Alpine	n/a	b	b	b	b	b	Plumas	93	38.6%	15	33.2%	44.0%	44.0%	44.0%	38.0%	38.0%		
Amador	84	27.2%	45	35.8%	25.4%	22.0%	Riverside	3,703	28.6%	43	28.5%	28.1%	28.1%	29.0%	29.0%	29.0%		
Butte	598	34.8%	27	35.6%	34.4%	34.2%	Sacramento	3,311	35.8%	25	37.1%	33.6%	33.6%	36.8%	36.8%	36.8%		
Calaveras	129	29.2%	42	21.7%	31.4%	33.8%	San Benito	199	41.4%	10	34.5%	49.2%	49.2%	40.3%	40.3%	40.3%		
Colusa	64	22.5%	54	31.1%	23.8%	14.4%	San Bernardino	3,799	24.3%	51	23.0%	23.9%	23.9%	25.8%	25.8%	25.8%		
Contra Costa	3,543	44.1%	8	43.6%	42.9%	45.7%	San Diego	8,219	37.4%	19	34.8%	38.0%	38.0%	39.4%	39.4%	39.4%		
Del Norte	57	21.5%	55	14.8%	27.4%	22.3%	San Francisco	1,964	55.1%	1	48.7%	60.3%	60.3%	56.5%	56.5%	56.5%		
El Dorado	647	41.4%	11	42.3%	39.8%	42.1%	San Joaquin	1,334	27.1%	46	27.5%	26.2%	26.2%	27.6%	27.6%	27.6%		
Fresno	2,472	31.7%	35	29.4%	32.8%	32.7%	San Luis Obispo	725	36.8%	21	33.3%	39.7%	39.7%	37.1%	37.1%	37.1%		
Glenn	109	32.6%	32	44.4%	28.4%	25.8%	San Mateo	2,075	45.4%	6	44.6%	46.4%	46.4%	45.4%	45.4%	45.4%		
Humboldt	368	30.0%	40	28.5%	30.7%	30.9%	Santa Barbara	1,106	38.3%	16	35.6%	35.9%	35.9%	43.3%	43.3%	43.3%		
Imperial	375	22.9%	53	27.5%	20.2%	20.6%	Santa Clara	5,469	43.8%	9	42.4%	43.9%	43.9%	45.0%	45.0%	45.0%		
Inyo	84	36.1%	23	39.6%	33.3%	35.4%	Santa Cruz	703	36.0%	24	38.3%	33.9%	33.9%	35.9%	35.9%	35.9%		
Kern	1,333	19.0%	56	17.6%	18.9%	20.5%	Shasta	530	31.9%	34	32.5%	30.2%	30.2%	33.0%	33.0%	33.0%		
Kings	355	32.2%	33	32.3%	35.0%	29.4%	Sierra	28	49.1%	3	43.2%	50.8%	50.8%	50.6%	50.6%	50.6%		
Lake	153	30.6%	39	31.8%	29.7%	30.3%	Siskiyou	193	39.1%	14	42.8%	33.9%	33.9%	41.3%	41.3%	41.3%		
Lassen	68	22.9%	52	31.3%	17.7%	20.1%	Solano	1,079	30.7%	38	32.3%	33.5%	33.5%	26.6%	26.6%	26.6%		
Los Angeles	27,993	40.2%	13	40.7%	39.8%	40.1%	Sonoma	1,339	40.9%	12	37.9%	45.2%	45.2%	39.6%	39.6%	39.6%		
Madera	361	32.6%	31	32.9%	32.5%	32.5%	Stanislaus	1,129	24.6%	50	24.5%	24.2%	24.2%	25.1%	25.1%	25.1%		
Marin	770	47.4%	4	46.9%	46.2%	49.2%	Stutter	212	26.1%	49	27.7%	27.6%	27.6%	23.2%	23.2%	23.2%		
Mariposa	41	26.2%	48	29.6%	23.9%	25.3%	Tehama	189	33.0%	30	28.5%	36.5%	36.5%	33.8%	33.8%	33.8%		
Mendocino	296	31.1%	37	34.1%	30.9%	28.4%	Trinity	67	44.8%	7	38.9%	47.6%	47.6%	46.5%	46.5%	46.5%		
Merced	636	26.4%	47	24.3%	27.4%	27.4%	Tulare	1,115	28.4%	44	31.1%	28.1%	28.1%	26.3%	26.3%	26.3%		
Modoc	45	35.1%	26	36.4%	32.6%	36.4%	Tuolumne	152	31.6%	36	36.6%	29.4%	29.4%	28.8%	28.8%	28.8%		
Mono	45	51.7%	2	53.7%	33.0%	69.3%	Ventura	2,489	36.6%	22	35.7%	37.6%	37.6%	36.4%	36.4%	36.4%		
Monterey	841	29.8%	41	33.0%	27.8%	28.8%	Yolo	483	34.1%	29	33.5%	34.5%	34.5%	34.2%	34.2%	34.2%		
Napa	348	34.6%	28	31.8%	34.4%	37.2%	Yuba	75	15.7%	57	17.0%	15.4%	15.4%	14.9%	14.9%	14.9%		
Nevada	382	45.6%	5	40.1%	43.7%	52.6%												

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit. Note: 1) Percentage refers to percentage of all 12th grade graduates in California public schools completing all courses required for University of California and/or California State University entrance. 2) b =Not applicable (i.e.: no school in Alpine county).

# Foster Care

Ages 0-17, 1995-1997

	1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care	1995-1997 Avg. rate	1995-1997 Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care	1995-1997 Avg. rate	1995-1997 Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate
CALIFORNIA	96,437	10.6	101	10.5	11.3	11.3	3,298	4.6	13	4.5	4.5	4.7
Alameda	4,199	11.9	50	11.8	12.2	11.7	Placer	5.5	20	4.3	5.3	6.9
Alpine	7	29.8	NR	31.4	24.4	33.8	Plumas	29	6.3	23	5.6	6.1
Amador	26	4.0	7	4.2	4.2	3.5	Riverside	3,403	8.1	31	7.8	8.4
Butte	747	15.2	54	12.4	15.1	18.1	Sacramento	3,674	11.5	45	10.7	10.8
Calaveras	73	8.4	35	7.5	8.8	8.9	San Benito	57	4.3	10	4.3	4.1
Colusa	25	4.6	15	4.6	4.0	5.2	San Bernardino	4,247	8.2	33	8.1	8.0
Contra Costa	2,220	9.7	39	10.1	9.5	9.6	San Diego	5,972	8.2	32	8.4	8.0
Del Norte	92	13.0	52	12.2	12.1	14.8	San Francisco	3,154	22.2	57	22.4	21.9
El Dorado	244	6.5	26	5.8	6.0	7.6	San Joaquin	1,491	9.2	37	9.5	9.1
Fresno	2,910	11.6	46	11.2	11.5	12.0	San Luis Obispo	367	7.0	27	6.7	6.8
Glenn	87	10.6	42	9.2	9.3	13.4	San Mateo	649	3.9	6	4.3	3.6
Humboldt	321	10.1	41	11.1	9.3	9.8	Santa Barbara	362	3.6	4	3.5	3.6
Imperial	222	4.8	18	4.4	4.5	5.6	Santa Clara	2,978	7.1	28	7.0	7.0
Inyo	19	4.3	8	3.8	4.1	5.0	Santa Cruz	392	6.3	24	6.1	6.3
Kern	1,812	9.0	36	8.4	8.9	9.7	Shasta	426	9.8	40	10.1	8.8
Kings	215	5.9	21	6.3	5.5	5.9	Sierra	10	12.9	51	12.5	12.9
Lake	129	9.6	38	9.7	8.6	10.6	Siskiyou	172	15.8	55	16.2	15.7
Lassen	101	14.6	53	15.7	13.7	14.3	Solano	488	4.4	11	4.2	4.5
Los Angeles	45,847	17.0	56	15.3	16.8	18.7	Sonoma	412	3.8	5	3.8	3.9
Madera	146	4.5	12	4.4	4.3	4.7	Stanislaus	698	5.3	19	5.8	5.2
Marin	157	3.2	2	3.2	3.2	3.2	Sutter	178	8.2	34	7.6	7.7
Mariposa	26	7.4	30	6.1	9.0	7.1	Tehama	171	11.9	49	9.6	11.9
Mendocino	249	11.1	43	11.0	11.1	11.1	Trinity	36	11.2	44	12.3	10.0
Merced	317	4.6	14	5.3	4.6	3.8	Tulare	1,389	11.7	47	13.4	11.6
Modoc	11	4.3	9	1.6	3.6	7.8	Tuolumne	67	6.1	22	6.5	5.4
Mono	13	4.8	16	4.1	5.3	4.9	Ventura	599	3.0	1	3.1	2.8
Monterey	391	3.6	3	3.2	3.6	3.8	Yolo	285	7.3	29	6.8	7.0
Napa	181	6.4	25	6.8	6.5	6.0	Yuba	245	11.9	48	11.8	12.4
Nevada	95	4.8	17	4.3	4.8	5.2						

Source: University of California, Berkeley, Child Welfare Research Center. Note: Rate refers to the number of children in foster care per 1,000 children.

## Foster Care

Ages 0-5, 1995-1997

1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care	1995-1997 Avg. rate	1995-1997 Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care		1995-1997 Avg. rate	1995-1997 Rank	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate
						1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care	1995-1997 Avg. rate					
CALIFORNIA	33,704	9.8	9.6	9.6	10.3	Orange	1,306	4.4	13	4.5	4.1	4.5
Alameda	1,363	10.4	39	10.8	10.9	Placer	79	4.4	14	3.6	3.8	5.8
Alpine	2	25.4	NR	28.6	0.0	Plumas	7	6.5	NR	5.8	5.4	8.3
Amador	6	3.2	NR	5.5	2.8	Riverside	1,235	8.1	27	8.0	8.4	8.0
Butte	248	16.0	47	13.9	15.9	Sacramento	1,152	10.1	37	9.1	9.3	11.9
Calaveras	16	6.7	23	3.9	7.5	San Benito	15	3.1	5	3.9	2.1	3.3
Colusa	7	3.6	NR	4.2	3.1	San Bernardino	1,512	8.0	26	8.3	7.7	7.9
Contra Costa	642	8.2	28	9.1	7.6	San Diego	2,437	8.5	29	8.9	8.3	8.4
Del Norte	25	11.5	42	12.0	10.4	San Francisco	1,033	18.5	48	19.3	18.0	18.2
El Dorado	73	6.5	21	6.1	5.8	San Joaquin	534	9.4	34	9.9	9.1	9.2
Fresno	1,064	11.4	41	11.7	11.3	San Luis Obispo	102	6.1	20	5.7	5.9	6.8
Glenn	25	9.3	NR	8.0	6.6	San Mateo	184	2.9	4	3.2	2.7	2.8
Humboldt	101	10.2	38	12.5	9.3	Santa Barbara	87	2.3	1	2.5	2.2	2.1
Imperial	62	3.7	10	3.4	3.5	Santa Clara	913	5.7	18	5.8	5.7	5.7
Inyo	4	3.2	NR	3.6	3.0	Santa Cruz	124	5.4	16	5.2	5.2	5.9
Kern	565	7.6	25	6.9	7.4	Shasta	145	11.0	40	12.1	9.2	11.6
Kings	79	5.9	19	5.5	5.6	Sierra	2	13.0	NR	7.2	23.8	8.3
Lake	32	7.6	24	8.1	6.2	Siskiyou	46	15.9	46	17.5	15.2	15.0
Lassen	28	14.1	44	18.8	13.2	Solano	119	3.2	7	3.3	3.2	3.0
Los Angeles	16,537	15.2	45	14.0	15.0	Sonoma	125	3.6	9	3.5	3.5	3.7
Madera	42	3.6	8	3.2	4.3	Stanislaus	235	5.2	15	6.1	5.1	4.4
Marin	42	2.5	2	2.6	2.0	Sutter	66	8.7	31	8.1	7.8	10.3
Mariposa	11	10.0	36	8.9	13.1	Tehama	43	9.4	32	6.9	9.2	12.1
Mendocino	68	9.9	35	10.4	9.5	Trinity	4	4.7	NR	4.6	4.8	4.9
Merced	106	4.3	12	5.5	4.3	Tulare	409	9.4	33	11.3	8.6	8.4
Modoc	3	4.8	NR	0.0	2.9	Tuolumne	17	5.5	17	6.7	4.6	5.3
Mono	3	3.6	NR	2.2	3.6	Ventura	188	2.6	3	2.7	2.4	2.7
Monterey	134	3.2	6	3.1	3.2	Yolo	121	8.7	30	8.7	7.5	9.9
Napa	62	6.6	22	7.7	6.5	Yuba	92	12.8	43	11.6	13.2	13.5
Nevada	23	4.3	11	5.0	4.4							

Source: University of California, Berkeley, Child Welfare Research Center. Note: Rater refers to the number of children in foster care per 1,000 children.

# Child Abuse

1994-1996

	1994-96 Avg. child abuse reports	1994-96 Avg. rate	1994-96 Rank	1994 Rate	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1994-96 Avg. child abuse reports	1994-96 Avg. rate	1994-96 Rank	1994 Rate	1995 Rate	1996 Rate
CALIFORNIA	687,072	77.2	75.8	77.5	78.2	78.2	35,049	49.9	5	56.7	49.1	44.1
Alameda	17,587	51.1	6	57.4	55.9	40.3	3,715	68.7	15	91.0	62.6	53.8
Alpine	102	401.3	58	295.5	447.1	467.5	622	130.5	41	146.1	130.7	113.6
Amador	428	66.0	13	60.6	62.5	75.0	26,396	64.5	12	59.1	70.1	64.2
Butte	9,034	184.9	53	200.5	180.1	174.4	29,583	94.2	29	91.6	87.4	103.5
Calaveras	1,264	144.1	44	149.7	137.8	144.8	740	57.4	10	49.8	66.5	55.7
Colusa	462	84.5	20	93.5	85.4	74.9	49,274	95.9	32	99.9	93.8	94.1
Contra Costa	19,341	86.1	23	82.2	86.3	89.6	81,495	114.1	39	110.9	114.8	116.4
Del Norte	1,239	173.9	50	189.8	170.3	161.3	8,389	60.6	11	64.2	62.4	55.5
El Dorado	2,738	72.7	18	70.6	76.1	71.5	31,391	90.0	24	94.7	91.5	84.1
Fresno	23,560	95.4	31	89.9	90.6	105.3	7,564	146.5	46	148.3	141.7	149.4
Glenn	1,082	133.6	43	136.8	136.0	128.1	7,487	45.9	3	51.1	46.0	40.8
Humboldt	5,855	183.5	52	146.3	183.0	221.6	9,112	92.6	26	86.6	98.1	93.1
Imperial	2,477	54.1	8	44.7	56.8	60.9	23,291	56.9	9	56.3	60.5	54.0
Inyo	495	110.8	36	105.0	114.5	112.9	5,716	93.5	28	92.1	97.3	91.2
Kern	10,577	53.2	7	50.1	42.1	67.4	6,652	152.9	48	155.9	156.5	146.3
Kings	3,277	91.7	25	80.1	83.2	111.3	86	108.6	35	76.3	137.7	111.8
Lake	2,636	196.2	55	122.4	237.1	229.2	1,245	112.2	37	119.5	126.7	89.5
Lassen	1,373	202.2	56	188.0	206.3	212.0	5,040	46.0	4	37.7	48.5	51.6
Los Angeles	179,074	67.4	14	62.9	67.9	71.2	7,638	72.0	17	78.6	70.4	67.1
Madera	3,623	112.6	38	103.2	111.0	123.3	11,071	85.3	21	87.0	79.3	89.6
Marin	2,114	44.0	2	49.7	41.9	40.5	2,081	97.8	33	95.7	99.3	98.5
Mariposa	526	145.6	45	148.1	135.3	153.6	2,270	156.8	49	193.5	135.1	141.7
Mendocino	3,327	147.8	47	120.5	156.7	166.3	709	217.0	57	240.3	205.5	204.3
Merced	8,461	122.5	40	114.0	137.5	116.0	11,087	94.5	30	81.3	90.5	111.2
Modoc	446	176.3	51	197.3	206.3	123.9	1,487	132.8	42	111.5	155.6	132.0
Mono	201	75.3	19	60.9	82.2	83.0	13,676	68.8	16	71.9	69.8	64.6
Monterey	9,164	85.6	22	80.9	90.8	85.1	3,849	100.4	34	108.1	99.8	93.7
Napa	1,187	42.6	1	41.9	42.5	43.3	3,822	185.2	54	188.4	197.1	169.9
Nevada	1,877	93.1	27	88.0	98.7	92.6						

Source: California Department of Social Services, Data Analysis and Publications Branch. Note: Rate refers to the number of reports per 1,000 children in population.

# Gun Injuries & Deaths

Ages 0-17, 1995-1997

	1995-1997 Avg. # children 0-17	1995-1997 Rate	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # children 0-17	1995-1997 Rate	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	
CALIFORNIA	1,532	16.9	21.1	16.3	13.5	Orange	83	11.5	15.6	10.4	8.6
Alameda	47	13.3	17.2	12.3	10.7	Placer	3	6.0	5.5	3.6	8.8
Alpine	0	135.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	Plumas	0	7.2	0.0	0.0	22.3
Amador	1	15.4	15.5	15.5	15.4	Riverside	47	11.2	13.7	11.5	8.7
Butte	4	8.1	10.2	2.0	12.2	Sacramento	59	18.5	19.5	19.8	16.4
Calaveras	1	15.2	11.3	23.1	11.4	San Benito	1	5.0	0.0	7.6	7.3
Colusa	0	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	San Bernardino	103	19.7	27.2	18.7	13.5
Contra Costa	33	14.5	22.3	11.4	9.9	San Diego	65	8.9	10.1	8.8	7.8
Del Norte	1	14.1	14.0	14.2	14.1	San Francisco	19	13.6	16.8	13.3	11.0
El Dorado	3	8.0	5.3	10.6	8.0	San Joaquin	37	22.6	24.4	17.2	26.1
Fresno	55	21.9	28.7	17.1	20.0	San Luis Obispo	4	7.0	9.7	5.8	5.7
Glenn	1	12.3	0.0	12.3	24.6	San Mateo	9	5.6	6.1	4.8	5.8
Humboldt	4	13.6	25.1	3.1	12.6	Santa Barbara	5	4.6	5.1	6.0	2.9
Imperial	6	12.3	17.6	8.7	10.8	Santa Clara	27	6.4	6.4	6.9	6.0
Inyo	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Santa Cruz	5	7.5	11.4	8.1	3.2
Kern	35	17.4	18.1	16.0	18.2	Shasta	4	8.5	16.1	4.6	4.6
Kings	2	6.4	5.6	8.3	5.4	Sierra	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Lake	1	10.0	22.2	0.0	7.5	Siskiyou	2	18.4	0.0	27.7	28.0
Lassen	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Solano	13	11.5	11.9	13.6	9.0
Los Angeles	755	27.9	35.5	28.2	20.3	Sonoma	8	7.5	5.7	7.5	9.2
Madera	4	13.3	21.8	9.2	9.0	Stanislaus	16	11.9	13.1	9.2	13.6
Marin	2	3.4	6.2	4.1	0.0	Sutter	0	1.5	4.7	0.0	0.0
Mariposa	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Tehama	1	4.6	0.0	13.9	0.0
Mendocino	3	11.9	4.4	13.4	17.9	Trinity	1	31.3	0.0	31.3	64.1
Merced	8	12.0	15.9	8.7	11.4	Tulare	13	11.2	12.7	4.2	16.7
Modoc	1	40.2	79.1	40.2	0.0	Tuolumne	1	6.1	9.0	0.0	9.2
Mono	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Ventura	19	9.4	12.0	9.0	7.4
Monterey	14	12.8	17.7	9.3	11.5	Yolo	4	9.4	10.4	10.3	7.5
Napa	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Yuba	2	9.7	9.6	4.9	14.5
Nevada	1	5.0	4.9	10.0	0.0						

Source: California Department of Health Services, Epidemiology and Prevention for Injury Control (EPIC) Branch. Note: Rate refers to the number of gun injuries or deaths to children per 100,000 children.

# Gun Injuries & Deaths

Ages 0-5, 1995-1997

	1995-1997 Avg. # children 0-5	1995-1997 Rate	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1995-1997 Avg. # children 0-5	1995-1997 Rate	1995 Rate	1996 Rate	1997 Rate
CALIFORNIA	47.7	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.7	Orange	3.0	1.0	1.7	0.3
Alameda	3.3	2.5	3.1	3.1	1.5	Placer	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Alpine	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Plumas	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amador	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Riverside	2.3	1.5	2.6	1.3
Butte	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Sacramento	3.3	2.9	0.9	3.5
Calaveras	0.7	27.3	0.0	41.5	42.3	San Benito	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Colusa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	San Bernardino	2.0	1.1	0.5	1.1
Contra Costa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	San Diego	2.0	0.7	0.3	1.1
Del Norte	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	San Francisco	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.0
El Dorado	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	San Joaquin	0.3	0.6	1.8	0.0
Fresno	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.1	2.1	San Luis Obispo	0.3	2.0	0.0	0.0
Glenn	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	San Mateo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Humboldt	0.3	3.4	0.0	10.2	0.0	Santa Barbara	0.3	0.9	0.0	2.6
Imperial	0.3	2.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	Santa Clara	1.0	0.6	1.3	0.0
Inyo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Santa Cruz	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kern	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Shasta	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kings	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Sierra	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Lake	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Siskiyou	0.3	11.4	0.0	34.5
Lassen	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Solano	0.3	0.9	2.6	0.0
Los Angeles	21.7	2.0	1.9	1.6	2.4	Sonoma	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Madera	0.7	5.6	0.0	0.0	16.4	Stanislaus	0.7	1.5	0.0	4.5
Marin	0.3	1.9	5.7	0.0	0.0	Sutter	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Maripossa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Tehama	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mendocino	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Trinity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Merced	0.3	1.3	4.0	0.0	0.0	Tulare	0.7	1.5	0.0	2.3
Modoc	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Tuolumne	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mono	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Ventura	1.7	2.3	2.7	0.0
Monterey	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Yolo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Napa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Yuba	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Nevada	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0					

Source: California Department of Health Services, Epidemiology and Prevention for Injury Control (EPIC) Branch. Note: Rate refers to the number of gun injuries or deaths to children per 100,000 children.

# Motor Vehicle Injuries & Deaths

Ages 0-17, 1996-1998

	Avg. # children 0-17	1996-1998 Rate	1996-1998 Rank	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1998 Rate	children 0-17	Avg. # children 0-17	1996-1998 Rate	1996-1998 Rank	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1998 Rate
CALIFORNIA	50,190	543	579	530	522	472	6	490	473	453			
Alameda	1,915	529	14	545	539	504	Orange Placer	434	757	37	711	737	818
Alpine	9	3,933	NR	4,065	0	2,183	Plumas	43	966	NR	981	802	1,118
Amador	64	989	49	1,052	1,093	822	Riverside	2,188	511	12	539	514	483
Butte	330	669	26	657	639	710	Sacramento	2,373	734	34	783	721	699
Calaveras	113	1,282	53	1,280	1,256	1,309	San Benito	92	668	25	592	735	674
Colusa	41	722	32	704	696	765	San Bernardino	3,092	586	19	610	587	561
Contra Costa	1,083	469	5	496	460	451	San Diego	3,750	499	10	530	475	493
Del Norte	78	1,093	NR	810	1,449	1,018	San Francisco	715	490	9	569	439	463
El Dorado	294	778	39	841	671	821	San Joaquin	1,152	698	28	708	681	703
Fresno	1,683	661	24	719	638	625	San Luis Obispo	328	619	22	621	645	593
Glenn	57	699	29	639	602	854	San Mateo	753	438	2	466	426	425
Humboldt	252	797	43	944	786	660	Santa Barbara	476	465	4	518	444	434
Imperial	259	555	15	645	513	509	Santa Clara	2,064	478	7	513	475	449
Inyo	41	934	46	1,020	912	869	Santa Cruz	332	527	13	536	532	514
Kern	1,266	621	23	674	612	579	Shasta	298	687	27	663	676	723
Kings	225	609	21	768	528	535	Sierra	9	1,216	NR	514	809	2,425
Lake	116	868	44	862	556	1,182	Siskiyou	81	756	36	656	729	886
Lassen	69	970	48	1,069	730	1,112	Solano	643	580	18	597	588	555
Los Angeles	13,348	485	8	531	468	457	Sonoma	799	736	35	787	726	696
Madera	302	903	45	1,021	757	933	Stanislaus	959	722	33	716	720	731
Marin	251	506	11	508	488	522	Sutter	157	717	30	729	852	572
Mariposa	28	786	41	561	741	1,061	Tehama	155	1,083	50	1,229	1,028	990
Mendocino	170	761	38	693	846	745	Trinity	36	1,147	NR	907	1,411	1,128
Merced	504	720	31	767	671	723	Tulare	719	599	20	635	560	603
Modoc	19	790	42	604	860	911	Tuolumne	130	1,198	52	1,211	1,096	1,287
Mono	29	1,094	51	1,018	1,055	1,210	Ventura	1,173	576	17	636	554	540
Monterey	466	414	1	461	373	410	Yolo	181	454	3	469	475	420
Napa	224	784	40	832	800	722	Yuba	115	558	16	627	551	498
Nevada	187	939	47	917	787	1,111							

Source: Department of California Highway Patrol, Information Services Unit. Note: Rates refer to number of injuries and deaths caused by motor vehicle accidents per 100,000 children

# Motor Vehicle Injuries & Deaths

Ages 0-5, 1996-1998

	children 0-5	1996-1998 Rate	1996-1998 Rank	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1998 Rate	Avg. #	1996-1998 Rate	1996-1998 Rank	1996 Rate	1997 Rate	1998 Rate
CALIFORNIA	8,052	237	260	227	222	222	569	191	5	208	193	170
Alameda	282	216	11	232	198	198	49	268	22	236	310	259
Alpine	1	2,162	NR	1,538	0	5,172	Plumas	5	428	NR	537	277
Amador	5	282	NR	341	340	168	Riverside	332	219	13	244	205
Butte	43	277	26	252	247	333	Sacramento	344	303	33	360	268
Calaveras	8	334	NR	208	381	414	San Benito	14	279	28	320	265
Colusa	7	340	NR	414	153	452	San Bernardino	502	268	23	289	255
Contra Costa	146	189	4	186	203	176	San Diego	580	203	8	216	197
Del Norte	10	461	NR	142	824	428	San Francisco	134	242	19	254	246
El Dorado	24	213	NR	336	109	189	San Joaquin	183	325	38	321	333
Fresno	331	357	41	422	336	310	San Luis Obispo	32	197	7	169	215
Glenn	9	317	36	329	258	365	San Mateo	99	159	1	182	149
Humboldt	32	334	39	439	345	212	Santa Barbara	73	192	6	201	182
Imperial	47	278	27	290	312	230	Santa Clara	350	219	12	264	218
Inyo	5	399	NR	295	675	226	Santa Cruz	47	211	10	212	215
Kern	212	289	29	319	273	275	Shasta	35	271	24	204	302
Kings	41	302	31	371	237	298	Sierra	2	1,355	NR	794	1,653
Lake	12	303	32	288	247	375	Siskiyou	8	275	25	276	244
Lassen	9	463	44	662	347	388	Solano	86	235	17	291	225
Los Angeles	2,442	229	15	253	214	217	Sonoma	93	267	21	286	242
Madera	49	403	42	428	312	470	Stanislaus	145	322	37	360	304
Marin	28	167	2	153	176	173	Sutter	19	253	20	289	253
Mariposa	5	489	NR	188	791	503	Tehama	19	430	43	570	314
Mendocino	21	315	35	292	386	267	Trinity	3	366	NR	477	487
Merced	83	340	40	369	359	290	Tulare	137	315	34	329	306
Modoc	2	287	NR	145	293	418	Tuolumne	11	364	NR	423	133
Mono	3	336	NR	243	501	262	Ventura	161	222	14	255	193
Monterey	86	204	9	208	207	195	Yolo	24	173	3	193	188
Napa	22	240	18	312	204	203	Yuba	16	230	16	183	216
Nevada	16	295	30	311	280	293					292	

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